
New Wind Blade Plant Creates 900 Jobs In Tillsonburg Area*McGuinty Government Helping Build Ontario's Clean Energy Economy***NEWS**

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Ontario's first-ever wind blade manufacturing plant will be setting up shop in Tillsonburg, bringing as many as 300 permanent clean energy jobs, and up to 600 additional construction and indirect service jobs to the region.

The Tillsonburg blade plant is part of a \$7 billion investment by Samsung and its partners – the largest single investment in renewable energy in provincial history – and comes one day after the [announcement of a new wind tower manufacturing plant in Windsor](#). The new plant is being built by Siemens Canada as part of its agreement to supply 600 megawatts (MW) of wind turbines to Samsung C&T and development partner Pattern Energy – 600 MW would be enough clean electricity each year to power more than 160,000 homes, or a city the size of Oakville.

Ontario's clean energy plan is getting Ontario off dirty, smog-producing coal and on to cleaner energy sources like wind, solar and bio-energy. The plan is making Ontario a global clean energy leader, sparking a new industry and thousands of new, good jobs in Ontario. The plan also includes help for families, through the Ontario Clean Energy Benefit that will take 10 per cent off electricity bills every month.

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“Our energy plan is an economic plan with Ontario at the forefront of clean energy, creating a new industry and new jobs. This wind blade manufacturing facility will go a long way to increasing our supply of renewable energy, eliminating polluting coal by 2014 and creating a cleaner, healthier Ontario for our kids and grandkids.”

— Brad Duguid, Minister of Energy

“Samsung is very proud to work with Siemens Canada to build the province's first blade factory. This is the second of four Samsung-led facilities that will serve Ontario's growing wind power generation market and beyond. We are a proud partner in Ontario's clean energy economy and applaud the government's commitment to renewable energy.”

— Chi Sung Ha, President, Samsung C&T Corporation

“Siemens is delighted to take a part in growing Ontario's clean economy. We look forward to bringing jobs and a positive impact to the Tillsonburg community. Ontario's growing renewables sector will be well served by innovations like Siemens' advanced blade technology.”

— Roland Aurich, President & CEO, Siemens Canada

“Pattern Energy looks forward to using the wind turbine blades from Ontario's first blade factory in the world-class wind projects we are developing in this province and with Samsung Renewable Energy. Ontario should be proud of being a North American leader in bringing government and the clean energy industry together to create jobs and economic development.”

— Mike Garland, CEO, Pattern Energy

"Tillsonburg is excited and delighted to welcome Siemens as an important new employer and member of our community. This new blade manufacturing facility will bring great new jobs and help us to establish a foothold in Ontario's growing clean energy economy."

— John Lessif, Mayor of Tillsonburg

QUICK FACTS

- Samsung and partners are investing \$7 billion in Ontario to open four manufacturing plants, create 16,000 direct and indirect clean energy jobs and generate 2,500 megawatts of wind and solar power.
- In the last year, over \$9 billion in private sector investment, creating an estimated 20,000 new jobs, has been committed to clean energy projects in Ontario.
- In 2003, Ontario had 19 dirty polluting coal units and just 10 wind turbines; today, the province has over 700 wind turbines and by 2014 all coal units will be closed or converted to biomass or natural gas.
- Ontario is Canada's leader in wind and solar capacity, home to the largest wind farms in Canada and currently home to the largest solar PV farm in the world.
- To date, more than 20 businesses have announced they are setting up or expanding plants to manufacture parts for the solar and wind industry, creating new jobs in Ontario.

LEARN MORE

- Read [*Building Our Clean Energy Future*](#), Ontario's updated long-term energy plan
- Learn more about [renewable energy](#) in Ontario.
- Find out how Ontario is [phasing out coal-fired generation](#).
- Explore Ontario's [Feed-in Tariff \(FIT\) and microFIT programs](#).

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SIEMENS IN CANADA

Siemens is one of the largest and most diversified companies in the world of electronics and electrical engineering, operating in the industry, energy and healthcare sectors. The company has approximately 5,000 employees in Canada, working to develop and manufacture products, design and install complex systems and projects, and tailor a wide range of solutions for individual requirements. For almost 100 years in Canada, Siemens has stood for technical achievements, innovation, quality and reliability. Sales for Siemens in Canada for fiscal 2010 (ended September 30), were \$2.3 billion CAD.

The Siemens Energy Sector is the world's leading supplier of a complete spectrum of products, services and solutions for the generation, transmission and distribution of power and for the extraction, conversion and transport of oil and gas. In fiscal 2010 (ended September 30), the Energy Sector had revenues of approximately EUR25.5 billion and received new orders totalling more than EUR30.1 billion and posted a profit of more than EUR3.6 billion. On September 30, 2010, the Energy Sector had a work force of more than 88,000.

SAMSUNG C&T CORPORATION

Founded in 1938, Samsung C&T is the mother company of the Samsung Group, South Korea's largest conglomerate with interests in electronics, chemicals, finance, and numerous other fields. Today, the company's two business groups – Trading & Investment and Engineering & Construction – are involved in a broad and growing portfolio of businesses, delivering creative, integrated business solutions to customers worldwide through a network of over 100 offices in 44 countries. Both business groups have achieved many landmark accomplishments over the years in preparation for such an opportunity - among them, launching one of Korea's first solar energy projects and building the world's tallest skyscraper. Samsung C & T, Korea Electric Power Corporation (KEPCO) and Pattern Energy plan to build and operate the world's largest renewable energy cluster in Southern Ontario. Samsung was selected by the Ontario Government for its rapidly expanding expertise in the alternative energy field, but also for the proven track record of constructing projects of similar scale from planning and financing through to execution. Samsung and its partners intend to take advantage of Ontario's talented workforce and hire locally. Samsung C&T is an emerging global leader in new and renewable energy solutions with projects in Canada, the United States, Costa Rica, Korea, France, Italy, Greece, and Turkey.

KOREA ELECTRIC POWER CORPORATION (KEPCO)

KEPCO is a government-owned utility that is technologically competitive and provides high quality electricity at low prices. KEPCO provides power generation, transmission, distribution and sales within Korea, and power plant construction and operation overseas. With an ambition to become a Global Top 5 Energy and Engineering Company by 2020, the company is working to produce globally-recognized management results, and to create low carbon green growth and a smart green society.

PATTERN ENERGY GROUP LP

Pattern Energy Group LP is an independent, fully integrated energy company that develops, constructs, owns, and operates renewable energy and transmission assets in the United States, Canada and Latin America. With a long history in wind energy, Pattern's highly-experienced team of scientists, engineers, construction experts, and legal and financial professionals has developed, financed and placed into operation more than 2,000 MW of wind power. Pattern's development pipeline exceeds 4,000 MW of renewable energy projects and multiple transmission projects. Pattern currently has 384.4 MW of wind energy in operation in the U.S. and 138 MW under construction in southern Manitoba, Canada. With offices in San Francisco, San Diego, Houston, New York, British Columbia and Toronto, Pattern is strongly committed to promoting environmental stewardship and is dedicated to working closely with landowners and communities to develop and operate premier renewable energy projects