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### **Port of Corpus Christi receives first shipment of Siemens wind turbine equipment aboard the BBC Plata**

(Corpus Christi, TX) --- The Port of Corpus Christi received the first shipment of wind turbines by Siemens Power Generation division to be transferred to their project sites near Amarillo and Big Spring, Texas. The vessel BBC Plata called on the port yesterday to deliver components for nine complete wind turbine units. Components will be staged off cargo dock 8 and shipped out by truck via I-37 to support their Wildorado and Forest Creek projects at a rate of 6 complete units per week. Each unit will require 15 trucks of which 8 are permitted loads with each wind turbine weighing 352 tons.

“The State of Texas and industry partners have aggressively entered the wind power energy market with an \$11 billion commitment to renewable energy production. By expanding our energy portfolio to include wind turbines we are stimulating the local economy and establishing ourselves as the port of entry for this capability in the Southwest,” said Ruben Bonilla, Chairman of the Port of Corpus Christi.



Texas is now the largest wind energy producer in the United States with an installed wind generating capacity at 2,370 Megawatts, enough power for 600,000 average-sized homes a year. Currently there are about 1,600 wind farms in West Texas alone, and the numbers continue to increase as development costs continue to drop and wind turbine technology improves.

“Siemens recognizes the logistical and geographical advantages of the Port of Corpus Christi to our project sites in West Texas and we look forward to a long and successful partnership,” said Clare Bertel, Siemens Transportation Coordinator.

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