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THE FULL RAGE TEST SITE FOR OFFSHORE WIND POWER

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The test field at Frederikshavn

The test field is placed in the northern part of the harbour, where DONG in 2002 have established 4 prototype wind turbines which is now a part of the NearshoreLAB complex.

The NearshoreLAB complex:

- A prototype of the bucket foundation placed under a Vestas V90 3.0 MW turbine.
- The foundation and tower is equipped with accelerometers and monitored for on-line frequent analyses.
- 4 "0-series" wind turbines ranging 2.3–3 MW, two Vestas, one Siemens and one Nordex.
- A 35,000 sq. m test pit with undisturbed seabed used for scale test with 2x2 / 4x4 meter test buckets and 100 tons pull tests.
- A 20,000 sq. m test pit with undisturbed seabed which can be used for further test purposes.
- The near shore sea in front of the prototype wind turbines, which can be used for scale test of structures and energy systems.
- An offshore test field, 5–6 km of the harbour, is in the application process for establishment of 6 "0-series" wind turbines. Approval expected June 2008.

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- Scour protection
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