



## **Goldwind Celebrates the Start of Construction at Stockyard Hill Wind Farm**

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Today, key project partners joined Goldwind Australia at a Ground-Breaking Ceremony to mark the commencement of construction for the Stockyard Hill Wind Farm project.

Goldwind Australia's Managing Director Mr John Titchen, said he was pleased to celebrate this significant milestone for the project.

"We're pleased to host the Victorian Premier Daniel Andrews, Origin Energy's Chief Executive Officer Frank Calabria, and many other key project construction partners and stakeholders, including representatives from the state and local government, financiers and our host landowners.

"Construction for the Stockyard Hill Wind Farm is now underway, and we look forward to continuing to work in partnership with our many stakeholders to construct Australia's largest wind farm," Mr Titchen said.

Origin Energy has underpinned the development of the project through a long-term power purchase agreement to buy all the power generated by the wind farm and the associated renewable energy certificates until 2030.

Origin Energy's Chief Executive Officer Mr Frank Calabria said "Having been involved in the project's development for many years, we're delighted to see the Stockyard Hill Wind Farm move a step closer to reality and congratulate Goldwind on reaching this significant milestone.

We are very pleased to be buying all of the renewable power from Stockyard Hill, as adding low-cost renewable energy will continue to put downward pressure on wholesale electricity prices, and help deliver more affordable energy to Australian homes and businesses."

The Stockyard Hill Wind Farm will comprise of 149 Goldwind advanced technology turbines with a total capacity of 530 megawatts (MW).

Goldwind Australia will provide Engineering, Procurement and Construction services to the project and the Warranty, Operations and Maintenance services once the project is operational. Goldwind Australia has appointed a joint venture between SNC-Lavalin and WBHO as the Balance of Plant contractor for the project.

The project is expected to create up to 300 jobs during construction peaks on site and employ up to 25 permanent maintenance staff once the wind farm is complete.

Once operational, Stockyard Hill Wind Farm will produce clean energy to power approximately 391,000 Victorian homes.

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### **About Stockyard Hill Wind Farm**

The Stockyard Hill Wind Farm consists of 149 approved wind turbines located approximately 35 km west of Ballarat. The Stockyard Hill Wind Farm has the potential to harness one of Victoria's best wind resources and will provide substantial environmental, community and economic benefits, and will have the potential to power more than 391,000 Victorian homes annually.

### **About Goldwind Australia**

Established in 2009, Goldwind's local Australian team offers comprehensive wind power solutions, including investment, construction, and operational and maintenance services. Goldwind Australia is a wholly owned subsidiary of Xinjiang Goldwind Science & Technology; a leading vertically integrated global wind power company offering comprehensive wind power solutions.