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CG Powers E.ON's Humber Gateway Offshore Wind Farm in UK

Mechelen, Belgium, 11 January 2012. Crompton Greaves (CG), part of the US\$ 4 bn Avantha Group, has been awarded the contract for the design, engineering, supply and installation of the Onshore and Offshore Substations at the 219 MW Humber Gateway offshore wind farm in UK. Humber Gateway is a Round 2 Offshore Wind Project owned by E.ON.

The scheme is based on 73 multi megawatt turbines, power from which will be collected and delivered to the 280 MVA offshore substation platform. It will be transformed up to 132 kV and delivered onshore via two export cables to a new National Grid substation 30 km inland at Hedon on Staithes Road, Hull in the north-east of England.

CG's scope in the multi-million pound contract includes detailed electrical system design with grid code compliance, supply of a high voltage Offshore Substation consisting of two step up power transformers, medium voltage and high voltage GIS installed by E.ON on a single jacket foundation and a 132/275 kV onshore substation works including two large autotransformers, reactive power compensation equipment, high voltage switchgear, an IEC 61850 based SCADA, protection and control, and civil works.

The substations are scheduled to be installed and commissioned in 2013 and to become fully operational in early 2014.

CG were successful against established industry competition in securing this large reference project in the UK renewable sector. This win demonstrates CG's local project management strengths, expertise in working to National Grid requirements, onshore and offshore track-record and cost-efficient approach in offering turnkey Design and Build+ grid infrastructure solutions that have been recognised by the client in awarding this strategic project to CG.

The UK will see 18 GW of offshore wind installed by 2020 and this first win provides CG a launchpad to secure a strong market share in this strategic sector and contribute to the UK's 2020 green energy targets, says Laurent Demortier, CEO and Managing Director of CG.

About Avantha:

The US\$ 4 bn Avantha Group is one of India's leading business conglomerates. Its successful entities include BILT, Crompton Greaves, The Global Green Company, Avantha Power & Infrastructure, Solaris ChemTech Industries, Biltech Building Elements, Salient Business Solutions and Avantha Technologies. With an impressive global footprint, Avantha operates in more than ten countries, employing 20,000 people worldwide. The Group has business interests in diverse areas including power transmission and distribution equipment and services, paper and pulp, energy and infrastructure, food processing, farm forestry, chemicals, IT and ITES. Led by

Gautam Thapar, Avantha demonstrates strong leadership globally and emerges as a focused corporate, leveraging its knowledge, leadership and operations, adding lasting value for its stakeholders and investors. For more information on Avantha, please visit www.avanthagroup.com.

About CG:

CG is part of the US\$ 4 bn Avantha Group, is a pioneering leader in the management and application of electrical energy, with a presence in 10 countries. CG is active in the global power transmission & distribution (T&D) arena, and is amongst the world's top ten transformer manufacturers. The company is organized into three business groups, viz., Power Systems, Industrial Systems and Consumer Products. Nearly, two-thirds of its turnover accrues from product lines in which it enjoys a leadership position.

For more information on CG, please visit: www.cgglobal.com

About E.ON:

E.ON is one of the UK's leading power and gas companies – generating electricity, and retailing power and gas – and is part of the E.ON group, one of the world's largest investor-owned power and gas companies. E.ON employs around 12,000 people in the UK and more than 79,000 worldwide.

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