



**Press release**

## **Nexans wins a 30 million Euro submarine power cable contract for Denmark's Horns Rev 2 offshore wind farm**

*Nexans' high voltage cable will be used to export 215 MW of power from the wind farm to the mainland grid*

**Paris, December 6, 2006** – Nexans, the worldwide leader in the cable industry, has signed a contract with Danish utility Energinet.dk to deliver and install the power export cable for Dong Energy's Horns Rev 2 offshore wind farm on the west coast of Denmark. This turnkey contract, worth around 30 million Euro, includes the supply of 42 km of AC XLPE 170 kV 3-core power cable including a fibre-optic element, transport, laying and termination. When the cable is installed, in Autumn 2008, it will become the world's longest XLPE submarine cable at this voltage.

The Horns Rev 2 project will provide a total wind farm capacity of over 215 MW and cover an area of some 35 km<sup>2</sup>. The project is situated around 23 km north west of Horns Rev 1, which in 2002 was the world's largest offshore wind farm, with a capacity of 160 MW, and which Nexans also delivered and installed the power export cables for. This time, however, the cable will be twice the previous length.

*"We are particularly proud and happy that the Danish utility Energinet.dk has selected Nexans to be the turnkey contractor for the Horns Rev 2 project. This project is of strategic importance to Nexans as it represents an additional main turnkey reference that reinforces our strong position in the offshore wind farm market. Following the success of the Horns Rev 1 project in 2002, this new contract proves that a new major utility has complete confidence in Nexans' capabilities,"* said Executive Vice President Europe Area, Yvon Raak.

*"The discussions between Nexans and Energinet.dk were very open and constructive. This helped us conclude the agreement within a relatively short period of time, and we will definitely maintain this open relationship during the project execution,"* said Sales Manager Olivier Angoulevant in Nexans Norway's Energy Division.

The 170 kV XLPE cable for Horns Rev 2 will be manufactured by Nexans' specialist submarine power cable factory in Halden, Norway. The wind farm will be commissioned in May 2009.

**About Nexans**

Nexans is the worldwide leader in the cable industry. The Group brings an extensive range of advanced copper and optical fibre cable solutions to the infrastructure, industry and building markets. Nexans cables and cabling systems can be found in every area of people's lives, from telecommunications and energy networks, to aeronautics, aerospace, automobile, railways, building, petrochemical, medical applications, etc. With an industrial presence in more than 30 countries and commercial activities throughout the world, Nexans employs 20,000 people and had sales in 2005 of 5.4 billion euros. Nexans is listed on the Paris stock exchange. More information available on [www.nexans.com](http://www.nexans.com)

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