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Study on Feasibility of Fixed-Bottom Offshore Wind Farm Off Akita City ~Commissioned by NEDO~

Kokusai Kogyo Group Obayashi Corporation

Obayashi Corporation and Kokusai Kogyo, a member of Kokusai Kogyo Group, will conduct a feasibility study for a fixed-bottom offshore wind farm off the coast of Akita City.

The study for researching and developing wind power and renewable energies, is an open recruitment project by the New Energy Development Organization (NEDO). We will gather information, in cooperation with the local government and related organizations, on the surrounding sea areas and clarify issues concerning offshore wind farm projects in Japan.

Overview of the study:

- R&D into wind power and other natural energy technologies
 - 1) Study area
 - Waters off Akita City
 - 2) Study content
 - Sea area survey
 - Overall design
 - Assessment of feasibility
 - Problems in implementation of project
 - 3) Study structure
 - Obayashi Corporation
 - Kokusai Kogyo Co., Ltd.
 - 4) Study period
 - Until March 2012

Obayashi Corporation is in the process of building a biomass facility (using methane gas produced by fermenting general waste to generate electricity) by PFI in Wakkanai and a large-scale solar power generation facility in its shipping warehouse. We aim to contribute toward the sustainable society by actively working toward environment-friendly power generation.

Kokusai Kogyo has an extensive track record in ocean development, including marine environment surveying, planning and design utilizing spatial information technology. We provide solutions aimed at commercializing offshore wind farms by maximizing our track record and expertise in large-scale solar power generation in Japan and abroad as well as the knowledge we have accumulated through survey and design services related to wind power generation.