

Press release

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## Electrabel, GDF SUEZ Group, and Jan De Nul request two concessions for the building of offshore wind farms

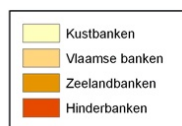
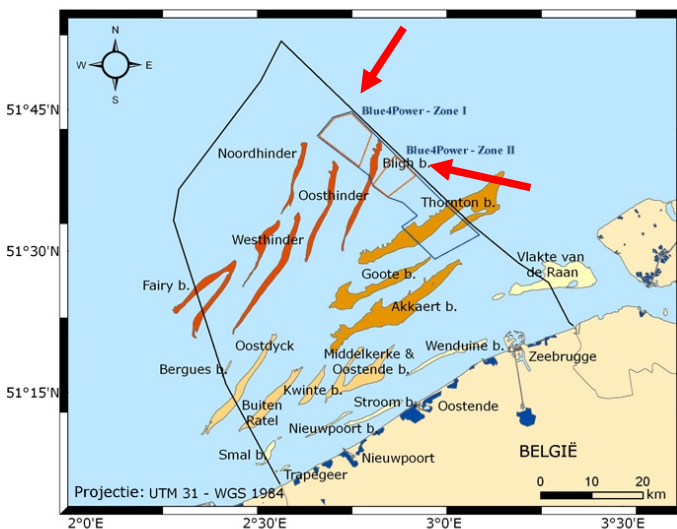
Electrabel has in association with Jan De Nul submitted two separate concession requests to the Electricity and Gas Regulatory Commission (CREG) for the building of two wind farms in the North Sea.

A first project, Blue4Power I, is to be built in the zone north of the Bligh Bank. This zone, which is located 60 km from the coast, is the most northerly zone of the area which has been set aside by Royal Decree for the construction of wind farms. With Blue4Power I, Electrabel is thus aiming to build the biggest offshore wind farm in Belgium.

A second project, Blue4Power II, will be built 20 km further south between the Bligh Bank and a neighbouring bank known as the “Bank zonder Naam” (Bank without a Name).

If the concessions are granted, the first wind turbines will be commissioned in 2012.

Along with the project for the construction of the biggest on-shore wind farm in Belgium, this initiative emphasises once more the dedication of Electrabel and GDF SUEZ to further develop their capacity for renewable power generation.



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