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Sif and Smulders sign Capacity Reservation and Early Works agreement for the Bałtyk 2&3 Transition Pieces

Equinor and Polenergia owned joint venture companies leading the development of the Bałtyk 2&3 offshore wind farms, located in the Baltic Sea, have signed a Capacity Reservation and Early Works agreement with the consortium of Smulders Projects Belgium NV and Sif Netherlands BV, for the manufacturing of 100 Transition Pieces for both projects.

Bałtyk 2&3 are two separate projects with planned installed capacity of 720 MW each (jointly 1440 MW). The offshore wind farms will be installed in Polish exclusive economic zone of the Baltic Sea and are subject to Polish regulatory regime. The wind farms are located approximately 37 km (Bałtyk 2) and 22 km (Bałtyk 3) off the Polish coast.

The scope of work for the consortium of Smulders and Sif consists of fabrication of the Transition Pieces including shop design, procurement, construction, testing and commissioning.
Within the consortium Sif will manufacture the approximately 30 kton primary steel tubulars, including flanges, from their facility in Roermond, The Netherlands. Smulders will perform the secondary steel scope, coating, electrical system and testing and commissioning. The secondary steel scope will be produced by the Polish facilities of Smulders. Final assembly will take place at the yard in Hoboken, Belgium.

Fred van Beers, CEO of Sif Holding: *"After we were awarded the manufacturing of the monopiles for the Bałtyk 2&3 projects, I'm very pleased that we have now agreed the capacity reservation for the production of the transition pieces for those ambitious projects. It is further confirmation of our strong relationship with Smulders as our joint venture partner and with Equinor and Polenergia as our esteemed client. With the 30 kton volume involved in this project, our production capacity for 2025 is now fully utilized."*

Raf Iemants, Managing Director of Smulders: *"The award of this capacity reservation marks a significant milestone for Smulders. Together with our consortium partner Sif, we are determined to successfully deliver this project to Equinor and Polenergia. The secondary steel components will be produced by our Polish facilities, reinforcing our dedication to local industry and expertise. For Smulders, Poland has always been an integral and highly valued part of our company, making it exceptionally rewarding to deliver transition pieces for the Polish offshore wind market."*

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About Sif Holding
Sif supports and accelerates the growth of offshore wind power generation as a key driver to the energy transition by offering total solutions for the design and production of foundations for offshore wind farms, including logistics services and marshalling. Sif traditionally serves the markets of Northwestern Europe and is working on a global presence. Sif combines two highly automated and flexible production facilities in Roermond and Rotterdam (Second Maasvlakte) with technological leadership in the field of rolling and welding of heavy steel plates, based on 75 years of experience and innovative self-developed techniques and processes. Sif mainly produces monopiles, transition parts and piles with which jacket foundations for wind turbines can be anchored in the seabed.

About Smulders
Smulders, subsidiary of Eiffage Métal, is a multidisciplinary and international organisation with a passion for steel and sustainability. Our facilities are located in Belgium, the Netherlands, Poland and the UK. We take care of full engineering, manufacturing and systems integration projects predominantly for the offshore wind market. Smulders is the European market leader when it comes to the engineering and construction of foundations and substations for offshore wind projects with a reference list spanning more than 2,500 transition pieces, 160 jackets, 3 floating foundations, and 40 substations. www.smulders.com