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RES PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE CONSENT FOR ROOS WIND FARM

9 turbine wind farm will provide enough power for 11,000 homes

RES has today welcomed a Planning Inspector's decision to give planning consent to a nine-turbine wind farm on land at Sunderland Farm, between Roos and Burton Pidsea in South Holderness.

The go-ahead for the nine turbines overturns a previous decision by the East Riding of Yorkshire Council, which has twice refused planning consent for a wind farm on the site.

Each turbine will be up to 126.5m high, and together the cluster of nine turbines will generate enough clean, green electricity each year to power the equivalent of more than 11,000 homes, or 9% of the homes in East Riding.

Annette Deveson, Head of Development, commented, *"We worked hard with East Riding of Yorkshire Council over the past three years to ensure that any concerns about the wind farm were addressed and we were frustrated when the Council's planning committee voted to refuse the plans in July 2009, despite a recommendation from their Planning Officer to consent the wind farm. We had already responded to the Council's concerns by removing two turbines and re-submitting a new application, giving the Council every opportunity to make a positive decision about the wind farm itself, without having to go through a costly appeal process. It is disappointing that we had to appeal against the Council's refusal, but we were always confident that this was an excellent site for a wind farm, enabling us to harness a great wind resource without having any significant social or environmental impacts. We are pleased to now be in a position to build a wind farm which will help to reduce the region's dependence on polluting and imported fossil fuels for the generation of electricity. The wind farm will also generate a valuable community fund of £40,000 per year."*

RES has promised to keep the local community fully informed throughout the period leading up to and during construction. Construction is expected to begin in 2012 and will take between 9 and 12 months.

Once up and running, the wind farm will generate a community fund of £40,000 a year. The local community will decide how the fund is managed and what it is spent on, and RES will begin the consultation process for this in the coming months.

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RES pleased to announce consent for Roos Wind Farm

Notes to editors:

1. RES is a leading UK renewable energy company with operations across Europe, North America and Asia-Pacific. RES built its first wind farm in Cornwall in 1992. RES has been at the forefront of wind energy development since the 1970s and has developed and/or built more than 4700 MW of wind energy capacity worldwide, including projects in the UK, Ireland, France, Scandinavia, and the United States, with a large additional portfolio in development. The RES Group is active in a range of renewable energy technologies, including large-scale solar and biomass and on-site heat, power and cooling technologies, as well as offering design consultancy for sustainable built environments. Drawing on decades of experience in the renewable energy and construction industries, RES has the expertise to develop, construct and operate projects of outstanding quality. For more information, visit www.res-group.com

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