

Triple wind power via Cuxport

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Three onshore wind power stations, weighing a total of 1,500 tons, loaded via Cuxport

The multi-purpose terminal Cuxport trans-shipped three Siemens wind power stations, type SWT 3.6, with a total weight of 1,500 tons on 24 and 25 November 2008. The individual components reached Cuxhaven by sea from the Danish Esbjerg on the coaster "Annalisa." The project shipping agent Deugro handled the overall transport for order of AN Bonus/Siemens.

Rotor blades measuring 52 m, turbine houses weighing almost 135 t and 14 m long, as well as numerous tower segments were unloaded. Two block cranes and corresponding heavy-load equipment from the multi-purpose terminal Cuxport were employed. Special flatbed trucks were used for the onward transport to the Windpark Altenbruch II in Cuxhaven. This is the site for a new wind park with a total of nine stations for order of Plambeck Neue Energien AG.

It is the second time this autumn that Cuxport has handled the trans-shipment of heavy part components for wind power stations. A heavy off-shore foundation, weighing 490 t, from Cuxhaven Steel Construction GmbH (CSC), which was destined for the offshore test station Hooksiel in the North Sea, was loaded via the heavy-load pontoon near Cuxport in September.

The heavy-load platform, which was completed this summer, is designed for extreme loads from foundation sections and generators. The area, which measures around 1,600 m² can withstand a load of 90t/ m². The deep-water mooring is suitable for trans-shipping offshore wind power stations as fully pre-assembled stations with a unit weight of up to 1,500 t. With a terminal site of around 263,000 sqm fortified for heavy cargo Cuxport has comprehensive trans-shipment areas and storage capacities and keeps the necessary equipment for handling project loads at the ready.

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About Cuxport

The deep water terminals of the Cuxhaven harbour operator Cuxport are located in a strategically ideal position for international transport routes: directly at the heavily trafficked outlet of the Elbe River, close to the Kiel Canal and a short distance from the mouth of the Weser river. The hinterland connections via the motorway A 27 are also excellent, as are the rail connections to the railway yard Maschen, as well as the connection to the European inland waterway network. With four berths at the multipurpose transshipment facility Europakai, another at the neighbouring RoRo terminal Steubenhöft, water depths down to 15.8 m and more than 260,000 m² paved areas, Cuxport serves a network of RoRo Line Services and has optimum conditions for the handling of numerous goods. In addition there are LoLo services for containers, forest products and project cargos, as well as storage and logistics solutions. More than 250,000 new cars from many renowned manufacturers are loaded from and to England and Scandinavia per year. Trend rising. The Cuxport Terminal is called at by daily RoRo Liner Services from DFDS Tor Line, from the "K" Line (KESS) and Mann Lines, as well as for containers from Samskip HF. The network of routes covers Great Britain, Russia, Scandinavia and the Baltic States all the way to the eastern Mediterranean. Cuxport concerns itself internationally as member of Eurocoast Network Association (ENA), an EU "Motorways of the Sea" Project for promoting the short-sea traffic between Cuxhaven und El Ferrol/Galicia/Spain. 74.9 percent of the shares in Cuxport GmbH are held by Rhenus AG & Co. KG with registered offices in Holzwickede near Dortmund and 25.1 percent by HHLA Container Terminals GmbH.

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