



## Green Energy Ohio Wind Farm Tour

Thursday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2012, 9:30 AM – 7:00 PM



Get a close-up view of utility-scale wind turbines on the Green Energy Ohio Wind Farm Tour on Thursday, October 4<sup>th</sup>. Green Energy Ohio (GEO) is providing bus transportation starting in Urbana, Ohio and travelling to Van Wert, Ohio to tour two distributed wind energy projects using utility-scale wind turbines, and the Blue Creek Wind Farm. Company and area representatives, including Neil Voje, Blue Creek Wind Farm Operations Manager, and Clair Dudgeon, Van Wert County Commissioner, will be available at each site to share information and answer questions. Meet GEO and jump on the bus at one of four boarding stops; Urbana, Bellefontaine, Wapakoneta, or the first Tour stop at Cooper Farms. For those joining the bus in Urbana, Bellefontaine, or Wapakoneta there will be a boxed lunch available for the cost of \$10. RSVPs will be required for this bus tour and the boxed lunches. Please RSVP by **Tuesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>**, to Emily Sautter at 216-789-5248, or [Emily@greenenergyohio.org](mailto:Emily@greenenergyohio.org), and indicate your bus boarding location and if you require a vegetarian lunch. The tour is FREE, thanks in part to the Ohio Farm Bureau Federation.

### About the Tour Sites:

The Cooper Farm's Cooked Meats location at 13274 Convoy Road, Van Wert, Ohio, currently hosts two Goldwind 1.5 MW (megawatt) wind turbines. The two turbines came online in the first part of 2012 and provide approximately 50% of the company's power needs over the course of a year. Construction has begun on a third 1.5 MW wind turbine, which will provide an additional 25% of the Cooked Meats location's electricity needs. This brings the total wind-powered percentage of the facility to 75%.

The Blue Creek Wind Farm is comprised of 152 Gamesa wind turbines rated at 2 MW each. The Blue Creek Wind Farm produces electricity that is fed directly on to the electric grid and sold to a utility.

Haviland Drainage Products are currently installing three Goldwind 1.5 MW wind turbines. Energy produced by the three turbines will be used on-site for manufacturing products.

### Green Energy Ohio Wind Farm Tour Agenda

#### Boarding Stops:

**8:30 AM (arrive) – 9:00 AM (depart):** Begin boarding bus in Urbana, Ohio. *Meet the bus at Grimes Field: 1636 N Main Street, Urbana, OH 43078.*

**9:30 AM (arrive) – 9:45 AM (depart):** Bellefontaine. *Meet the bus in the Walmart parking lot, on the garden center end and nearest to U.S. 68. Walmart address: 2281 U.S. 68, Bellefontaine, OH 43311.*

**10:30 AM (arrive) – 10:45 AM (depart):** Wapakoneta. *Meet the bus in the front of the Walmart parking lot near the gas station. Walmart address: 1257 Bellefontaine St., Wapakoneta, OH 45895.*

#### Restroom/Lunch Stop:

**11:45 AM (arrive) – 12:45 PM (depart):** Route 30 rest area just west of Van Wert. *Boxed lunches are available for those who RSVP at a cost of \$10 (cash, check or credit card accepted).*

#### Tour Stops:

**1:00 PM (arrive) – 2:00 PM (depart):** Cooper Farms (13274 Convoy Rd., Van Wert, OH 45891)

**2:00 PM:** Blue Creek Wind Farm

**2:45 PM (arrive) – 3:45 PM (depart):** Haviland Drainage Products

#### Return Stops:

**4:00 PM (arrive) – 4:15 PM (depart):** Cooper Farms

**5:15 PM (arrive) – 5:30 PM (depart):** Wapakoneta (Walmart)

**6:10 PM (arrive) – 6:25 PM (depart):** Bellefontaine (Walmart)

**6:55 PM (arrive):** Urbana (Grimes Field)