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Wind power is a form of renewable energy that is growing in BC. M. K. Ince and Associated Ltd. (MKI), a Vancouver based Wind Energy developer, is developing three potential projects in the area immediately north of Merritt. We have been undertaking wind resource assessment over the past six years at the oldest proposed project, the Mont Guichon Wind Energy Project.

The Mt. Mabel and the Mamette Lake Wind Energy Projects are adjacent projects. Wind resource and environmental assessment work is being performed at these sites, and much additional work is expected before the projects are built. MKI is dedicated to using local First Nations people in assisting with the remaining assessment work.

Each of these projects is proposed to consist of between 5 and 8 wind turbines mounted on towers close to 100 metres tall. "They are big structures that in some places can be seen from 10 kilometres away," comments Martin Ince, President of MKI. "Each of the three projects has the potential to produce enough clean renewable electricity for approximately 5,000 homes."

A Considerable amount of work has been performed on these projects, but a lot of work still remains, such as:

- Electrical Interconnection Studies
- Environmental Assessment, including background studies on bird and bat habitats and species presence
- Archaeological and Traditional Use studies
- Meteorological Studies and Long –Term Energy Predictions
- Detailed Financial Modelling and Cost Financing

If all Government approvals are in place and a BC Hydro Electricity Purchase Agreement granted, construction could commence late in 2017.

## **Conceptual Image**



Eight potential wind turbines at the Mamette Lake Wind Project site. Computer generated image, accurately representing a potential turbine layout with 95 metre tall towers and 55 metre long turbine blades. Viewing distance approximately 3 km to nearest turbine.

We will be keeping you informed about the development of the projects and welcome your comments and questions at any time.

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