

PRESS RELEASE

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Luther advises Swisspower partner on entering the German energy market

Dusseldorf, 24 March 2010 - The two Swiss utility companies Energie Thun AG and Wasserwerke Zug AG (WWZ), partners of the public utility service provider Swisspower AG, each hold shares of approx. 15% in the Windpark Sustrum/Renkenberge. Energie Thun and WWZ were advised by Luther Rechtsanwaltsgesellschaft mbH on their entry into the German energy market.

The shares in the wind farm were purchased by various private investors through a wind farm fund owned by Münchener BVT Holding GmbH & Co. KG. By purchasing the shares, the two Swiss public utility companies are expanding their portfolio and have increased their own amount of generation. The Windpark Sustrum/Renkenberge, situated close to Lathen in northern Germany, comprises 32 wind turbines that produce electricity at the rate of approx. 70 GWh annually.

By advising on this cross-border transaction, Luther has once again acted for public utility companies regarding their purchase of large on and offshore wind farms; for example, in 2009 Luther advised Stadtwerke Bochum on the purchase of a wind farm with Multibrid turbines. Other recent projects include a wind farm in Brandenburg and an offshore wind farm in the North Sea.

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