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Northern Power Systems names Charles Vaughan VP Commercialization

Sales executive brings deep industry experience to the Utility Wind business

BARRE, VT, USA – March 9, 2011 – Northern Power Systems, Inc. (www.northernpower.com), a leading manufacturer of permanent magnet/direct drive (PM/DD) wind turbines, is pleased to announce the addition of Charles W. (Chaz) Vaughan, Jr., to its executive team in the role of Vice President, Commercialization.

Mr. Vaughan will lead global commercialization for the Utility Wind business as the Company launches its utility wind turbine. Prior to joining Northern Power Systems, Mr. Vaughan served as Vice President, Sales, for Clipper Windpower, Inc., where he was responsible for sales and business development in North and South America, the United Kingdom and Europe. In addition, Mr. Vaughan also served as a regional sales director at Clipper and as a regional sales manager at GE Power Generation – Wind Energy.

“We’re thrilled to add an industry veteran like Chaz to our leadership team,” said Troy Patton, President Utility Wind at Northern Power Systems. “His experience closing wind turbine supply agreements in excess of 1,000 MW globally will serve us well as we launch our permanent magnet direct drive wind turbine into the utility wind marketplace.”

“We believe that our proven PM/DD technology will fundamentally change the global wind turbine marketplace, as it will offer better performance, significantly improved reliability and higher financial returns for customers,” added John P. Danner, President and CEO of Northern Power Systems. “Chaz’s deep experience and successful commercial track record will be critically important as we move from ten years of development and testing to global commercialization.”

About Northern Power Systems

Northern Power Systems has more than 30 years experience in developing advanced, innovative wind turbines. The company’s next generation wind turbine technology is based on a vastly simplified architecture that utilizes a unique combination of a permanent magnet generator and direct-drive design. The revolutionary approach delivers higher energy capture, eliminates drive-train noise, and significantly reduces maintenance and downtime costs. Northern Power Systems is a fully integrated company that designs, manufactures, and sells wind turbines into the global marketplace from its headquarters in Vermont, USA, with additional offices in Massachusetts and Michigan, USA, and Zurich, Switzerland. For more information, please visit www.northernpower.com.

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