

JDR nets German offshore wind farm contract from Seaway 7 ASA

Cable manufacturer JDR has landed a contract to supply an offshore wind farm in Germany which is one of Europe's largest energy transition projects.

The North East firm, which operates a Hartlepool base and is building a [£130m factory in Northumberland](#), has been chosen by Norwegian developer Seaway 7 ASA to supply 100km of 66kV subsea array cables for the development. They will connect 64 wind turbines that will make up the 900MW EnBW He Dreiht farm.

JDR will manufacture the cables at its Hartlepool base before shipping them for installation in 2025. The EnBW He Dreiht project is located in the German Exclusive Economic Zone of the North Sea – 85km north of the Borkum Island and 95km west of the Helgoland Island.

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John Price, sales director at JDR, said: "Germany is an important location for us, and we continue to see great potential here as the offshore market grows from strength to strength. We're proud to be part of a project that is pushing the boundaries of offshore wind by increasing megawatt capacity.

"This very much aligns with our values as a company because we are always looking at ways to innovate our solutions to future-proof the industry. We're also delighted to continue to build on our long-standing relationship with Seaway 7 by providing technical expertise and subsea solutions to support in the success of He Dreiht."

Florent Menet, He Dreih project manager at Seaway 7 ASA, added: "We selected JDR due to its reliability, having worked with the company previously. We especially know their ability to provide robust solutions on time, which is very valuable in adding to the expertise surrounding a project such as this."

In June, JDR announced it had secured Government financial support for its forthcoming manufacturing facility at Cambois. The facility, which is due to be completed in 2024, is part of a move to expand the firm's product range to include high voltage export and long length array cables. At the same time, JDR has also invested £3m into its Hartlepool base to install a new vertical layup machine.

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