







### 30 MW Test Bench

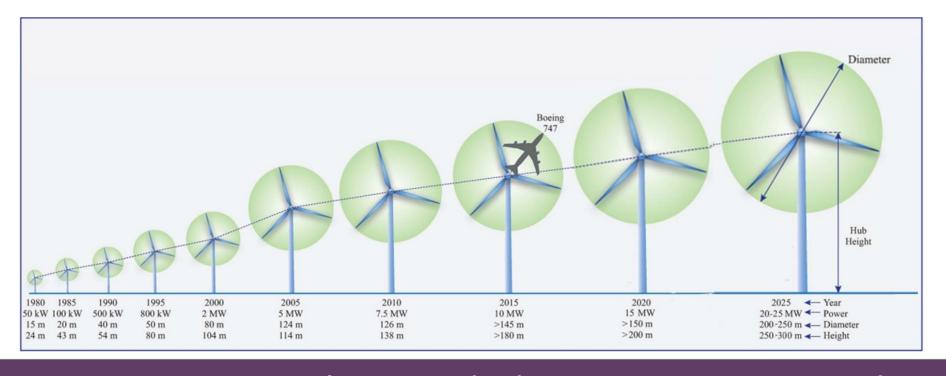
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### Wind Turbine Size Growth Driving Need

- » The US government's goal for 30-gigawatt offshore wind by 2030
- » With the 10 megawatts offshore turbine size, it requires 3,000 turbines
- » Each offshore turbine installation is costly and resource-intensive (boats, people)



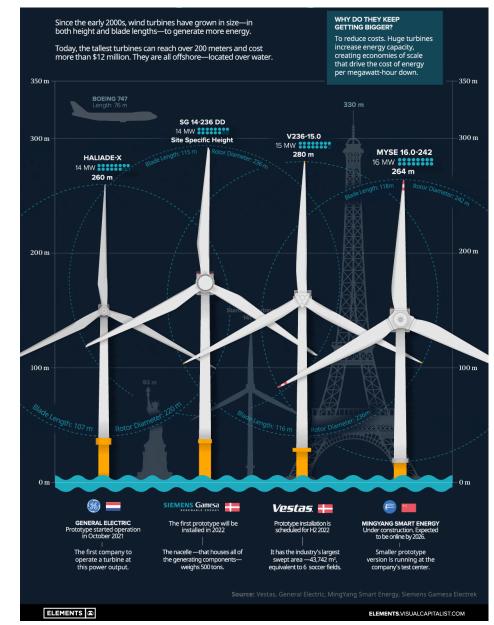
30-Megawatt Test Facility needed to support US Wind Industry





#### **Current Offshore Wind Turbines**

- » Around 15 MW capacity turbines built in 2022
- » Siemens Gamesa has announced a 14MW turbine
- » GE has announced a 14MW turbine
- » Vestas has announced a 15MW turbine
- » Mingyang announced 16MW turbine
- » GE Research won \$20 million federal grant to develop new wind turbine generators
- » Several companies have requested testing 15MW+ systems







# Offshore Strategy Report Encourages Larger US Testing Capabilities



## Offshore Wind Energy Strategies

Regional and national strategies to accelerate and maximize the effectiveness, reliability, and sustainability of U.S. offshore wind energy deployment and operation

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U.S. Department of Energy Washington, DC, 20585 Table 4. Technology Innovation Initiatives

Initiatives	Specific Actions To Implement	Outcome
Upgrade U.S. test and validation capabilities to address reliability of new, larger wind turbines	<ul> <li>Increase the capacity of prototype, test, and demonstration capabilities to accommodate continued wind turbine growth at existing U.S. facilities, such as blade testing and drivetrain test facilities.</li> <li>Develop advanced simulation and hybrid testing techniques to maximize development prior to more expensive large-scale physical testing.</li> <li>Evaluate need and use case for floating lab and field research test sites to address topics such as physics validation, conflicting use mitigations, and component demonstration.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Higher reliability on first generations of larger wind turbines, resulting in lower operation and maintenance costs and market risk.</li> <li>Ability to test and develop large components domestically, in support of a U.S. supply chain.</li> </ul>

See <u>DOE Offshore Wind Energy Strategies</u>, January 2022, p. 19.





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## Clemson is the only University lab in DOE's Wind Facilities Portfolio

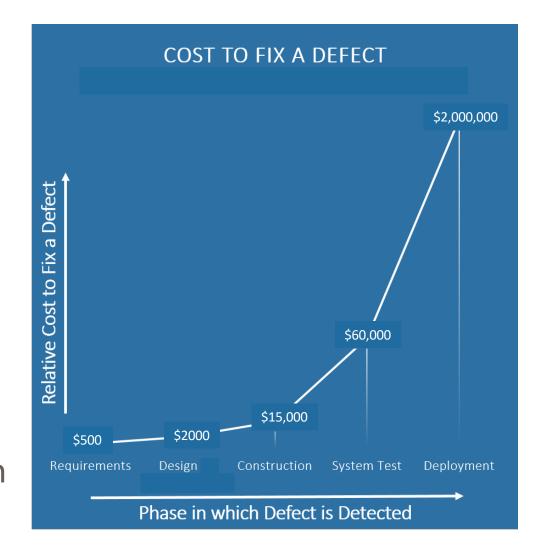






### **Benefit Testing Early**

- » 30 megawatt test bay enables manufacturers to test full-scale before manufacturing thousands of units
- » The earlier an issue is found, the lower the cost to address
- » If no full-scale testing is available, must install field prototype(s) and update fleet when issue identified
- Industry and investors would incur significantly higher total cost to reach
   30 gigawatt offshore wind target

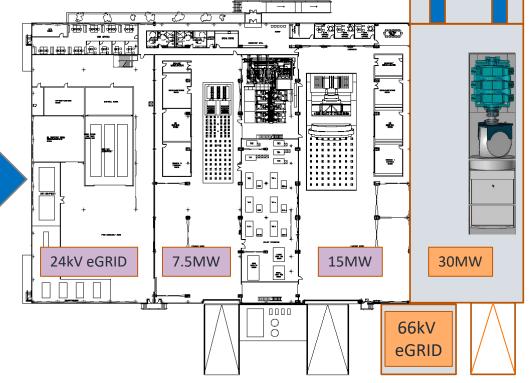






### **Facility Expansion**





» 30MW Test Bay – Planned location





## 30 MW+ Grid Emulator

Grid Emulator Specs		
Nominal Voltage	33 kV/ 66 kV	
Maximum Voltage	140%	
LVRT/ZVRT	Asymmetrical to 0%/phase	
Voltage THD	<1% for 2-50 <sup>th</sup> Harmonics	
Harmonic Injection	1 to 10% 2-20 <sup>th</sup> Harmonics	
Subharmonic Injection	1 to 55 Hz	
Frequency Change	100 Hz/s	
Instantaneous Phase Shift	180 degrees	



