Additive Construction of Floating Offshore Wind Substructures

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Introduction to Sperra

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A vertically integrated technology, design, and construction firm for renewable energy infrastructure.

Our Vision: To build clean energy that is abundant and sustainable for nature and communities.

Leadership

Automated Construction – Renewable Energy – Commercialization



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Foundations and Docks

Subsea Energy Storage

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Anchors



3D Concrete Printing

- Form-free process enables lean manufacturing with a small footprint
- Increases manufacturing efficiency
- Reduces physical burden
- Digital design: customization, complex geometries, structural optimization
- Sustainable locally sourced materials

U.S. Printing Facilities

New York

• 24-m tall gantry printer with batch plant and ready-mix printing capability









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 Portside printing facility with gantry and robot arm printers



Port Manufacturing Opportunity There is a 350 GW pipeline of U.S. offshore energy construction projects worth \$1.5 trillion,

but...

port, vessel, and supply chain availability are limiting deployment.

X U.S. will miss its 2030 offshore wind targets by 50%
X 80% of foundations will be imported through 2030
X First floating wind foundations will cost 50% more



3D Concrete Printed Anchors

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Concrete Torpedo Anchors

Operating Principal: Torpedo anchors rely on their momentum from being dropped off a ship to embed themselves deep in the ocean floor.

Over 2,000 steel torpedo anchors have already been installed off the coast of Brazil by Petrobras for Oil & Gas.

INNOVATIONS

- Uses locally sourced concrete and local labor
- Retrievable steel booster
- Hydrodynamic features to increase freefall speed
- Structural optimization/efficient use of materials

BENEFITS

- Reduced CAPEX and emissions by using concrete instead of steel
- Expedited installation speed compared to other anchors
- Partial material recovery and reuse (booster)
- Quayside 3DCP = reduced transport costs



\$250

\$200

\$150

\$100

\$50

Materials (\$K)

of

Cost



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Concrete Suction Anchors

Operating Principal: Suction anchors are installed into the ocean floor using pile driving or by vibratory installation. When lifted the hollow bottom generates a pressure differential providing additional anchoring capacity.

Using concrete for suction anchors provides an offshore wind anchoring solution that is both economically and environmentally superior to conventional steel suction anchors.

INNOVATIONS

- Uses locally sourced concrete and local labor
- Combines 3DCP, reinforcement, and sprayed concrete to make a composite structure
- Structural optimization/efficient use of materials

BENEFITS

- Reduced CAPEX and emissions by using concrete
- Faster installation times







Concrete Solutions

Steel

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Anchor Prototype Testing

- Padeye Connection Pullout Tests
- Soil Embedment & Anchor Pullout Tests





Foundation Manufacturing using OmniDockTM

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California Needs Concrete Foundation Manufacturing

Manufacturing in California means concrete foundations. But current infrastructure cannot support them, and currently planned facilities are 7 to 11 years away.













Bardex's OmniDock[™] Solution

A concrete modular floating dock for domestic manufacture, assembly, launch, and retrieval of offshore foundation

Value Proposition

- 1. Manufacture floating offshore wind in California at least 5 years sooner
- 2. Increase foundation production 2x to 3x
- 3. Reduce cost of offshore wind foundations by ~50%
- 4. More local jobs and economic benefits

\$3M OmniDock™ Proposal

Design, 3D print, and deploy first subscale OmniDock in the Port of Los Angeles
3D Print a FOW foundation on OmniDock



We are seeking a concrete FOW foundation design to 3D print!

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Thank you!

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