



SUSTAINABLE GRID EXPANSION: TRENCHLESS INSTALLATION TECHNOLOGIES FOR UNDERGROUND CABLES

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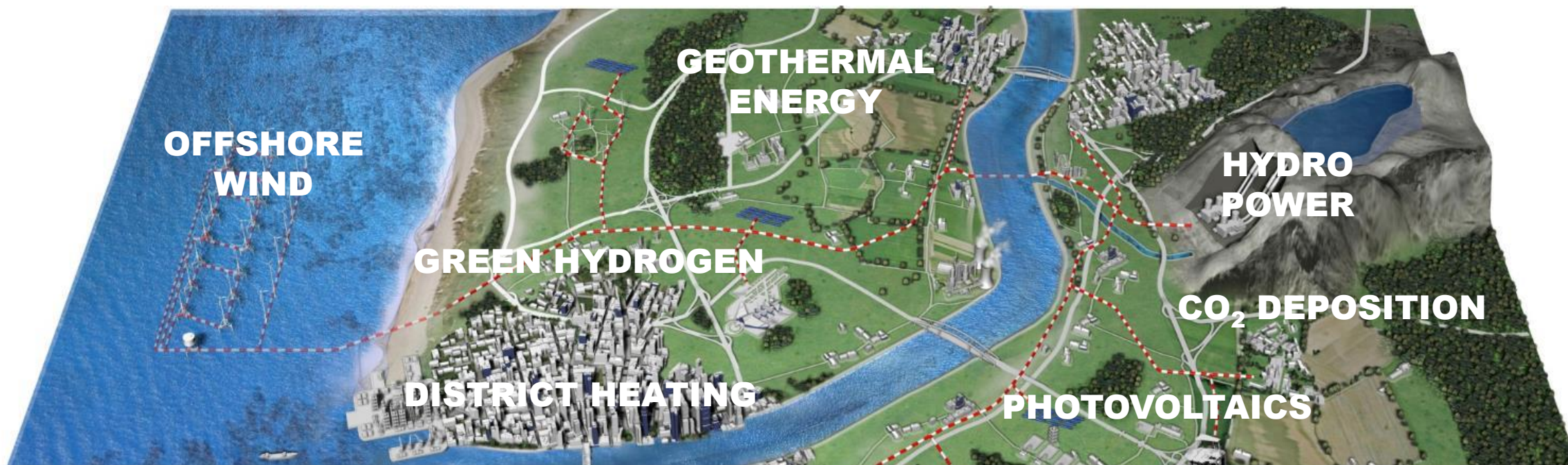
UNDERGROUND CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY

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INCREASE IN RENEWABLE ENERGIES

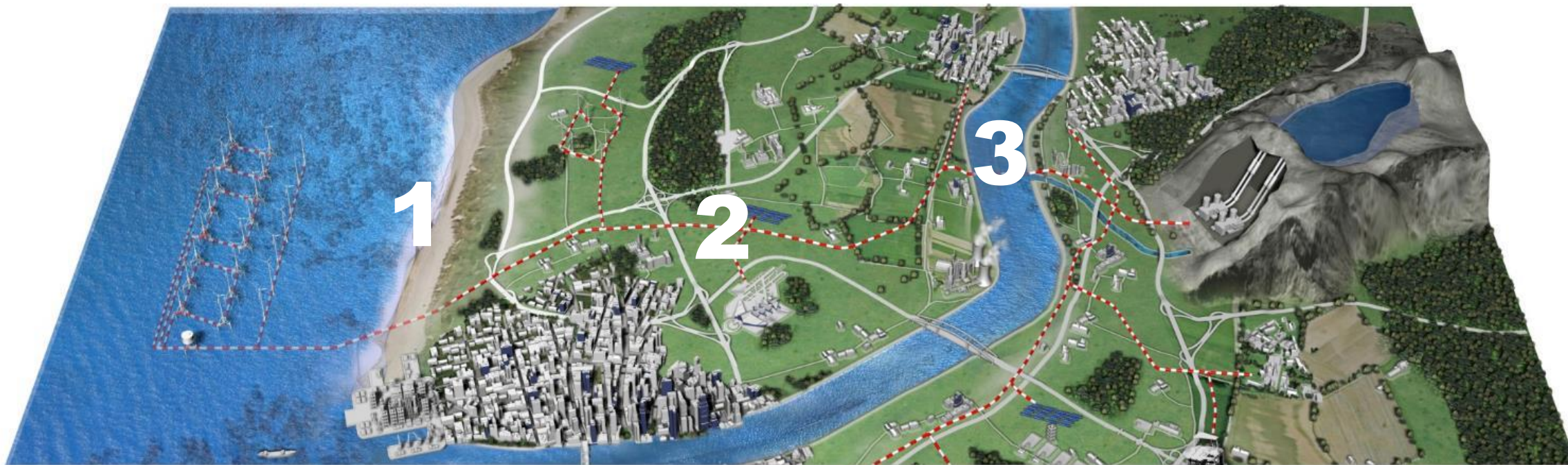
Main energy sources for sustainable energy transition



TRANSMISSION GRID EXPANSION REQUIRED

SUSTAINABLE POWER GRID EXPANSION

Challenges for landfalls, crossings and cross-country installations



1 Offshore-Onshore
Connections /
Landfalls

2 Cross-country
installations with
minimum disruption

3 Crossing of obstacles,
e.g. waterways and
traffic routes

SUSTAINABLE POWER GRID EXPANSION

For secure grids and energy supply.

Underground cable installation

- › Protection against damage from inclement weather (wind, ice storms, heat...) >>> reduction of maintenance costs
- › Assure high grid availability
- › Modernization and expansion of the power grids



Example California

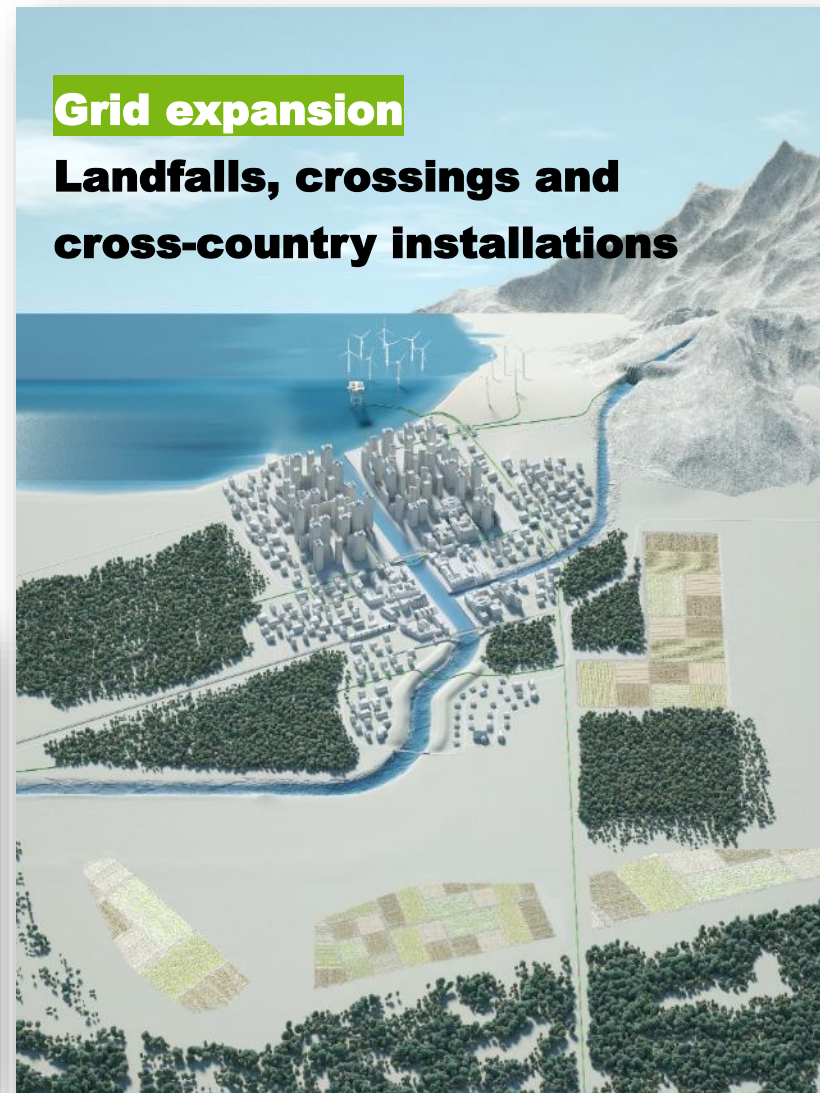


- › **10,000 miles** of power lines to be laid **underground** to prevent wildfire risk caused by overhead lines
- › Client: Pacific Gas and Electric Co. (PG&E)





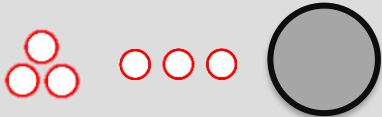

Grid expansion

Landfalls, crossings and cross-country installations



TRENCHLESS SOLUTIONS FOR SUSTAINABLE POWER GRID EXPANSION



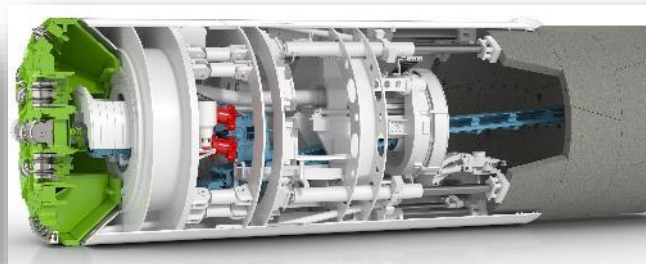
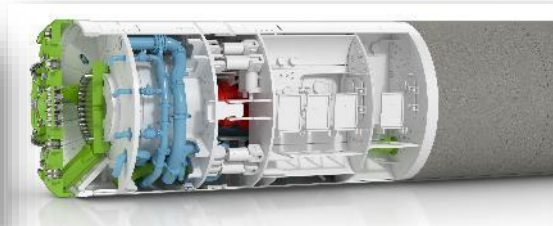
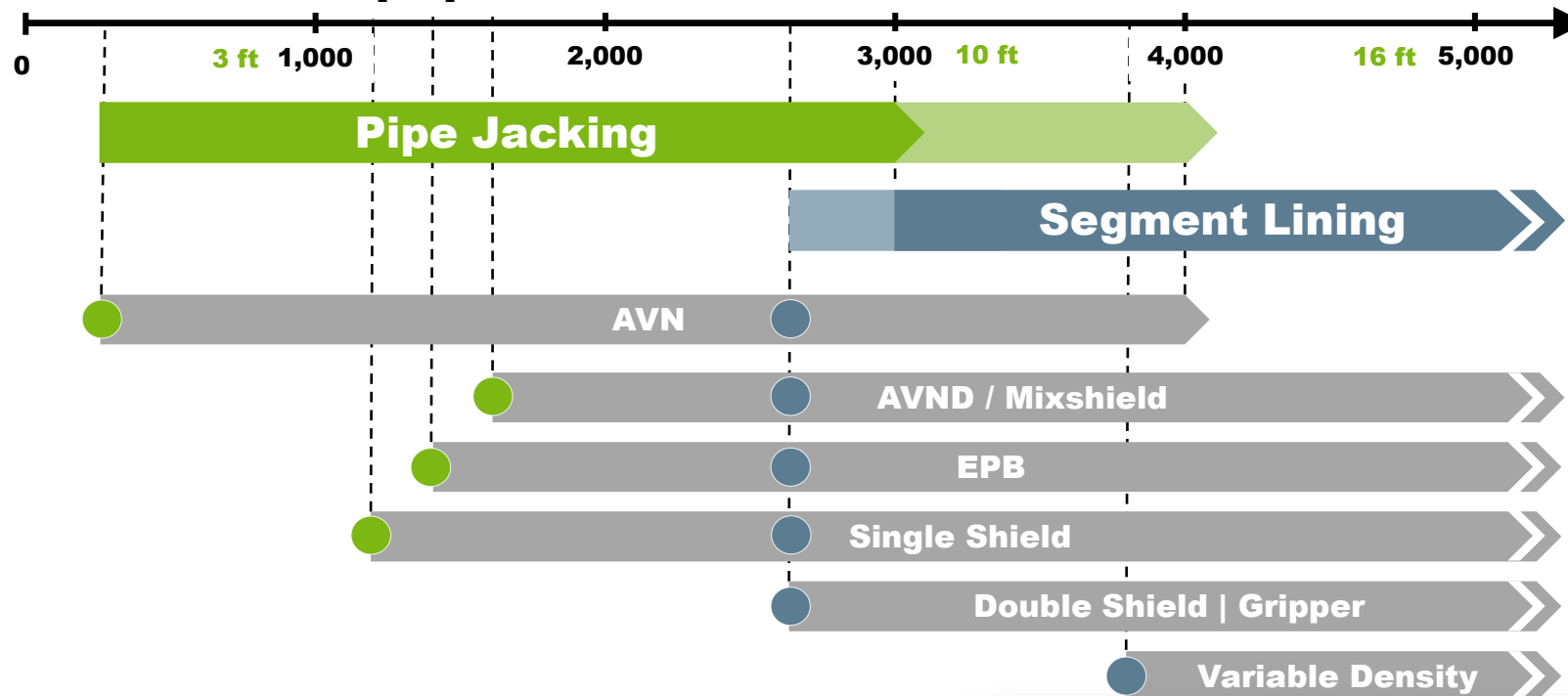
	Tunnelling	Direct Pipe®	E-Power Pipe®	HDD
Installation of cable / casing				
	Indirect Cables in tunnel	one-step steel casing	two-stage HDPE single casings or bundle, steel casing	multi-stage Cable bundle or steel casing
Diameter	> 10" Ø tunnel (ID)	24" – 60"	10" – 28" < 36" with backreaming	10" – 60"
Max. installation length	33,000 ft	6,500 ft	6,500 ft	16,400 ft

*The information in this table is intended as an initial guideline; the parameters may vary depending on the project.



SMALL-DIAMETER TUNNELLING MACHINE RANGE

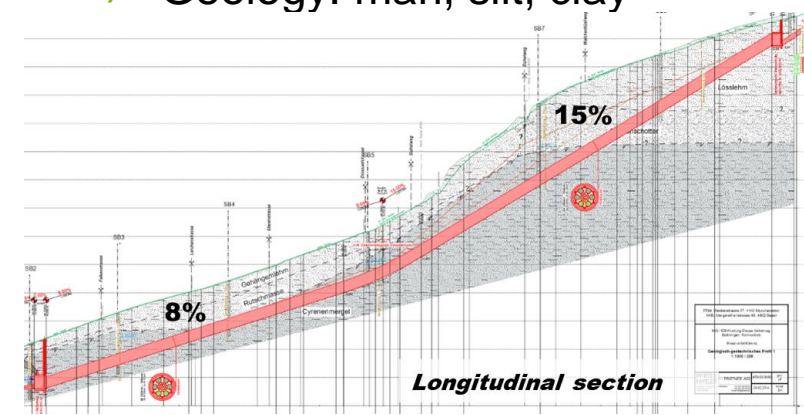
Tunnel Inner Diameter [mm]



CABLE TUNNEL 50/150KV, BASEL, SWITZERLAND

Microtunnel for underground cable installation

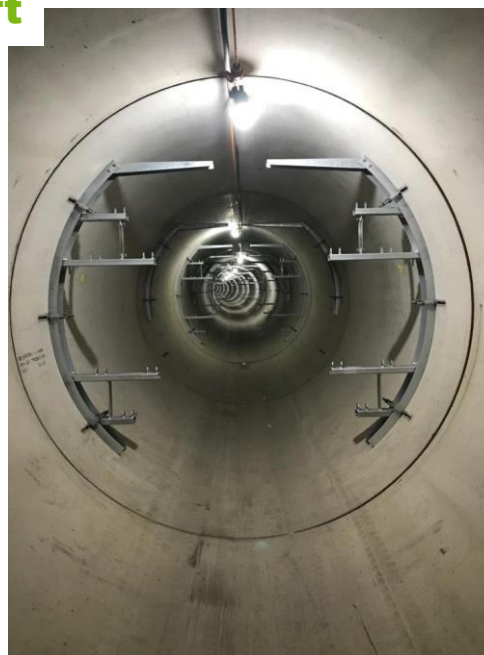
- › AVND1600, OD 1960
- › Tunnel Length: 521m **1,700 ft**
- › Slope: **8% - 15%**
- › Curve drive: 3-dimensional,
 - › $r_{min} = 150m$ **500 ft**
- › Altitude difference: **60 m** 200 ft
- › Geology: marl, silt, clay



CABLE TUNNEL LEGDEN

Amprion Cable Tunnel, Legden, Germany

- › AVND 2500 with extension kit, **OD 3600 mm ~12 ft**
- › Pipe Jacking tunnel for 380 kV high-voltage transmission line
- › Subsequent installation of 12 underground cables in tunnel
- › Tunnel length: 813 + **1,297 m 4,260 ft**
- › Installation depth: 13 m



EUROPE'S CABLE TUNNELS WITH SEGMENT LINING

Large tunnel solution for deep installations, in inner-city conditions with restricted space above and underground.



Paris, France

~12 ft

- > AVND3100AH, OD 3850 mm
- > Relocation of 4 x 225 kV overhead lines underground for Olympic Games 2024
- > Tunnel length: 2,404 m **7,900 ft**
- > Min. curve radius: 300 m



Berlin, Germany

- > AVND3000AH, OD 3820 mm
- > 380 kV cable diagonal for grid reinforcement
- > Tunnel length: 6,701m **22,000 ft**
- > Min. curve radius: 300 m



London, UK

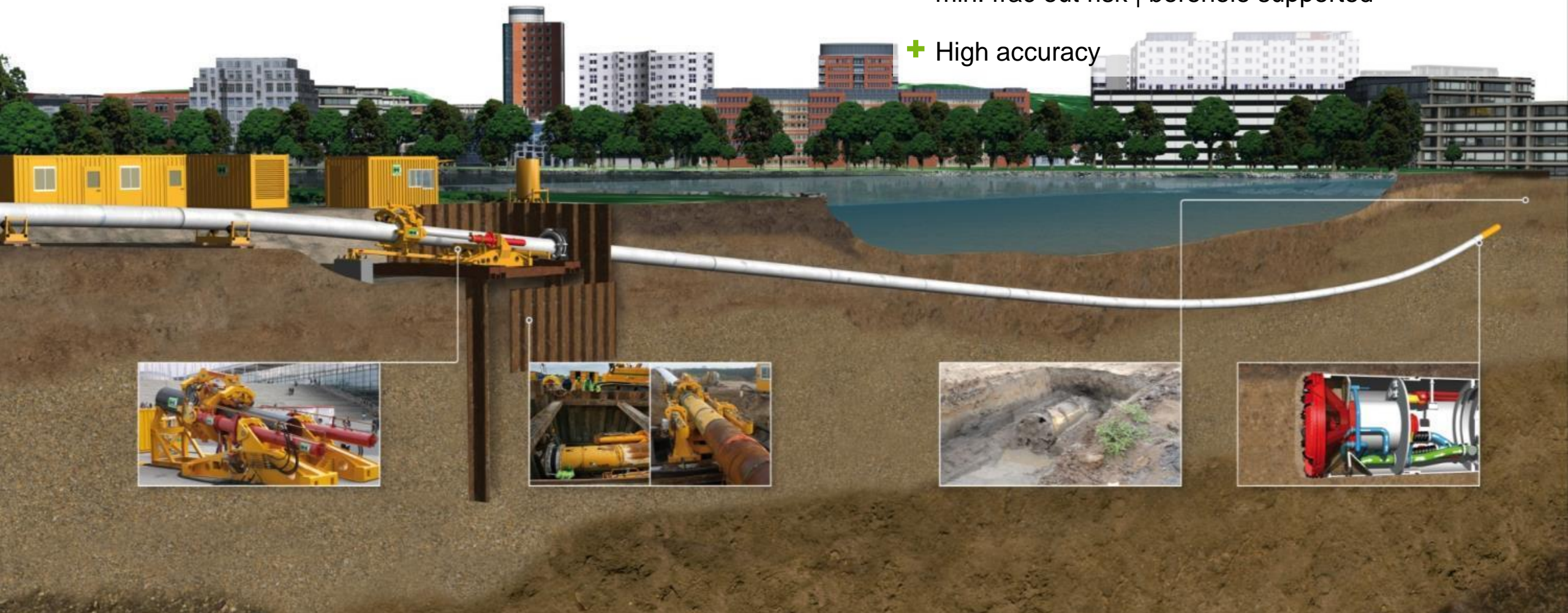
- > 3 x EPB 3000 AH, OD 3580 mm
- > Casing for electricity transmission cables
- > Tunnel length: 26,479m, 4 drives, max. 11,090 m
- > Min. curve radius: 250m **36,000 ft**



DIRECT PIPE® TECHNOLOGY

24" up to 60" steel pipeline installations

- + One-pass installation
- + min. frac out risk | borehole supported
- + High accuracy



EXPORT CABLE LANDFALL WITH DIRECT PIPE®

Beatrice Offshore Windfarm Landfall Project, Scotland.

- › M-2130M, AVN 1000, 48", H-336, HK750PT
- › 48" Casing for 33kV Cable, 2x 440m | 1,450 ft.
- › Geology: clay, sandstone, gravel, boulders
- › Remote recovery module for offshore recovery of microtunnelling machine



DIRECT PIPE® RECORD PROJECT

Longest reference project: World Record in New Zealand

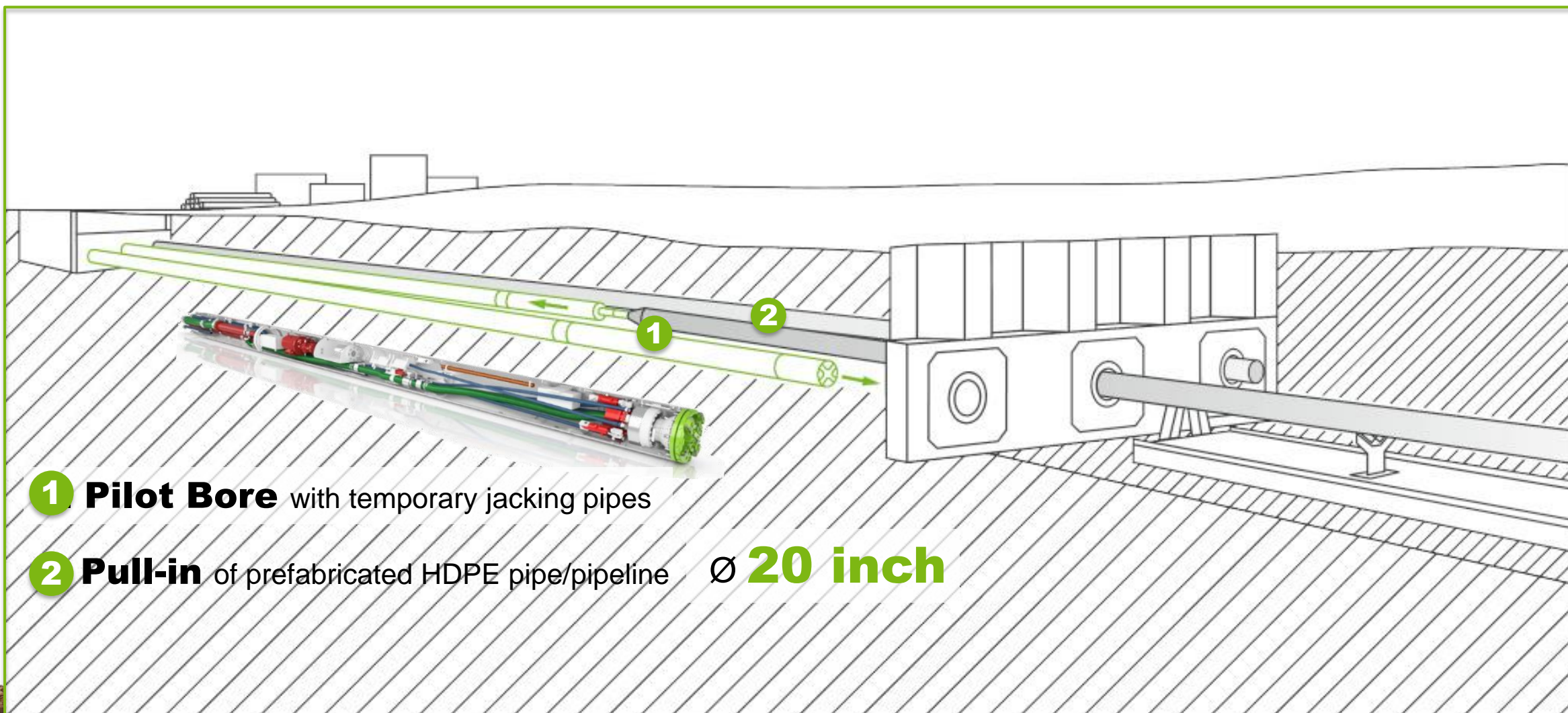
- › M-2170M, AVN1000 + Pipe Thruster HK750PT
- › Location: Algies Bay, New Zealand
- › Use of Pipeline: 48" Casing Snells Algies Wastewater Pipe and Outfall Replacement, Shore approach with offshore recovery
- › Drilling length: **2,021m WORLD RECORD | 7,000 ft.**
- › Geology: mudstone, sandstone,
- › Client: Watercare, Auckland
- › Contractor: McConnell Dowell
- › Performance:
 - › Best daily performance: 42.5m **140 ft**
 - › Best weekly performance: 211m **700 ft**
 - › End position reached: July 28th, 2020



E-POWER PIPE® TECHNOLOGY

EPOWER PIPE

Two-step installation of HDPE protective pipe or small-diameter pipelines



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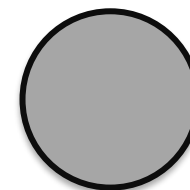
Two-step installation HDPE protective pipe or small-diameter pipelines

GENERAL APPLICATION FIELDS

- › Product pipe diameters **10" - 28"** (with backreaming up to 36")
- › Drive length up to **6,500 ft** (depending on ground conditions)
- › Near surface installation possible (overburden **min. 5 ft**)
- › Precise, parallel installation of lines possible (distance **min. 3 ft**)
- › Grouting of annulus during pullback of product pipe

EPOWER PIPE

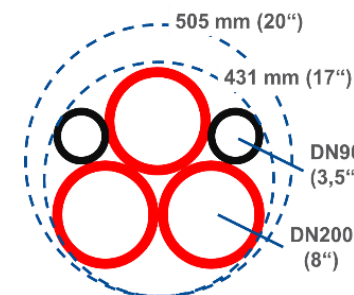
Small-diameter steel pipelines



HDPE protective pipe | single installation or bundle



Drilling diameter: 20 inch



Drilling diameter: 20 inch

PROJECT REFERENCES IN GERMANY

EPOWER PIPE

HDPE protective pipes for underground cables

1 Borken, TSO Amprion

- ▶ Sections 3 x 300 m, constant depth
- ▶ Geology: silt, sand, clay
- ▶ Feb-Mar 2017

2 Conneforde, TSO Tennet

- ▶ Sections 6 x 300 m, S-curves $r=500\text{m}$
- ▶ Geology: silt, sand, clay, till, boulders
- ▶ Nov 2017 – Jan 2018

3 Bacharach, TSO Amprion

- ▶ Sections 6 x ~ 700 m, curves $r=500\text{m}$
- ▶ Geology: silt, sand, sticky clay, schist, quartzite boulders, iron ore
- ▶ Nov 2018 – Mar 2019

4 Grossgartach, TSO TransnetBW

- ▶ Sections 3 x 455 m, curves $r_v=500\text{m}$, $r_H=788\text{m}$
- ▶ Geology: clay
- ▶ Feb-Mar 2021



E-POWER PIPE® PROJECT BACHARACH

HDPE protective pipes for underground cables

2,300 ft

1,600 ft

› Sections 6 x ~ 700 m, curves r=500m

› Average overburden: 2 m **6.5 ft**

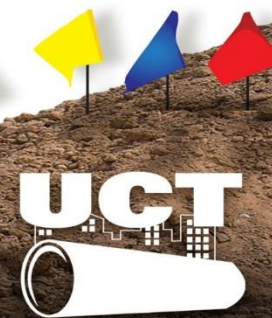
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Jobsite area: ~ 25x40m

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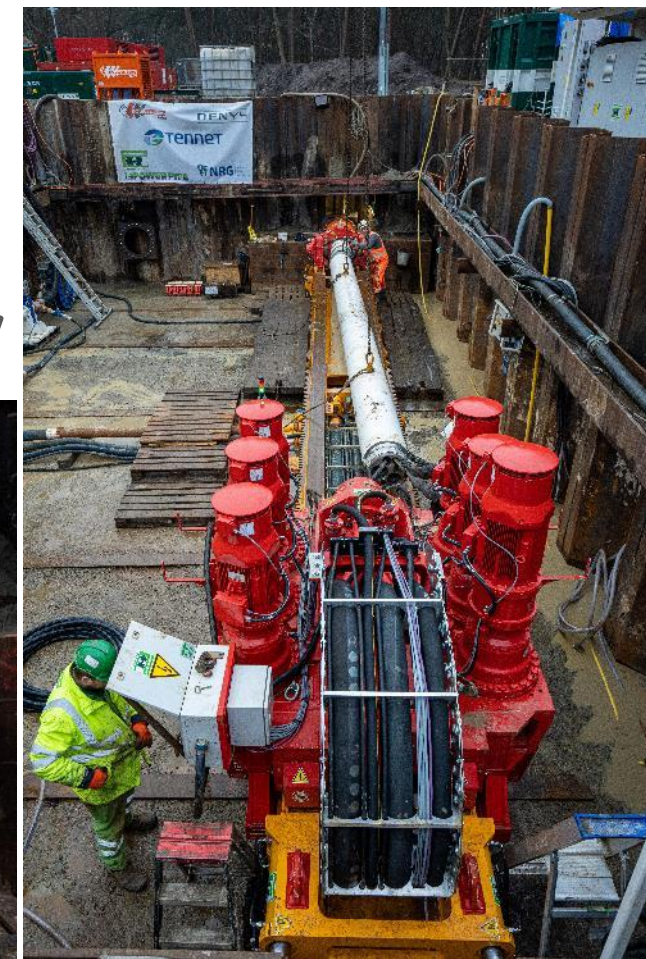


E-POWER PIPE® RECORD PROJECT (NL)

Latest cable project in the Netherlands

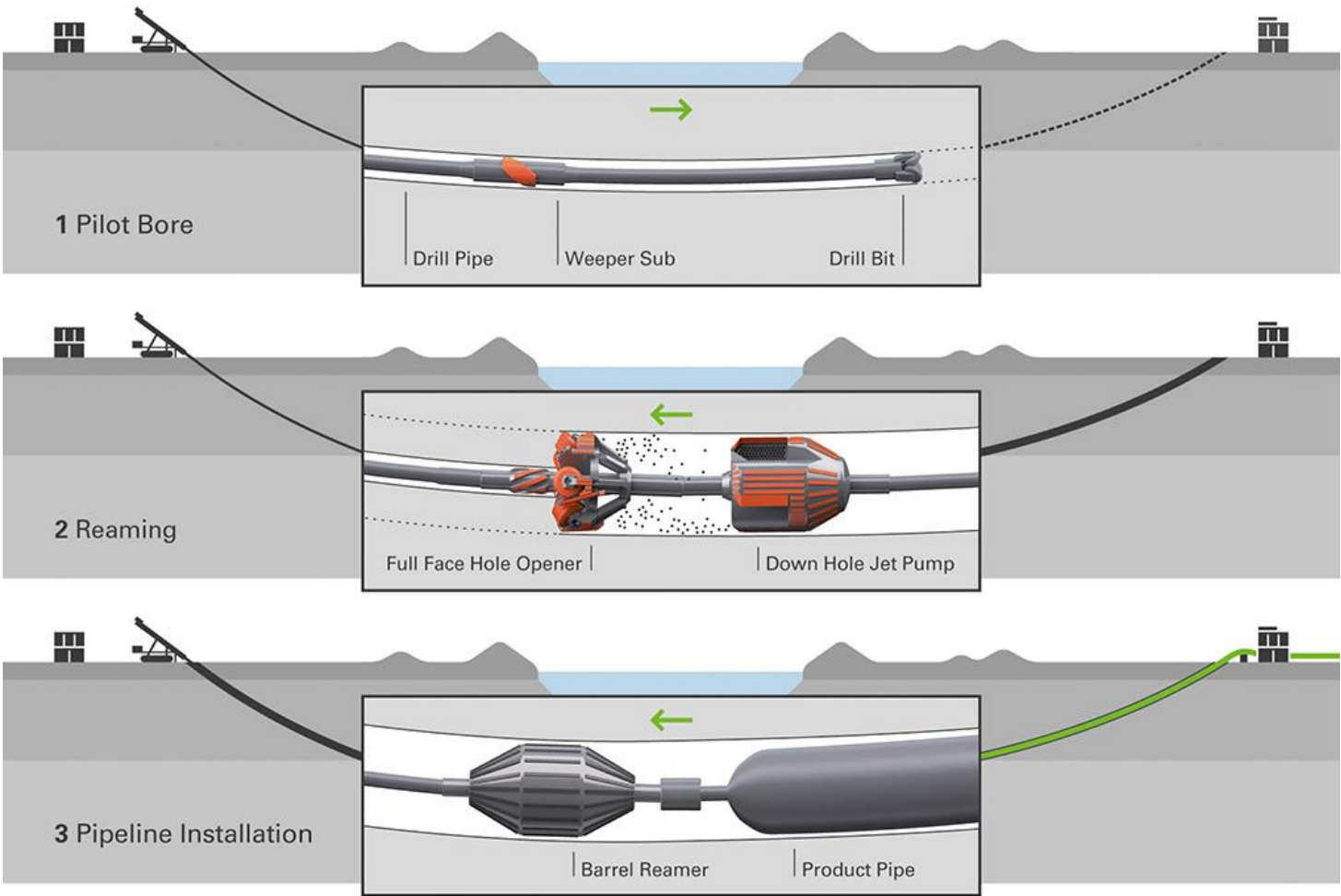


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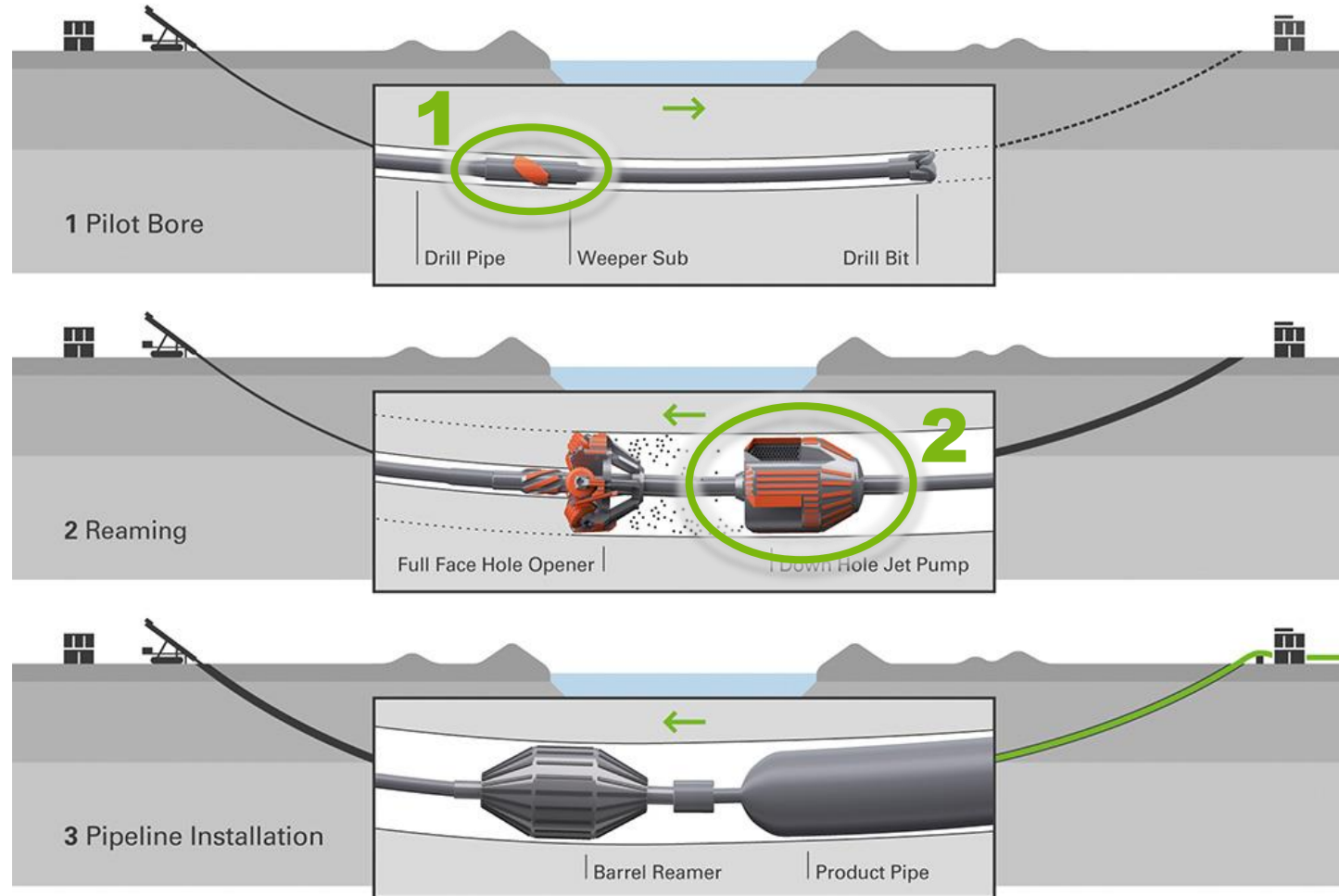
HDD Technology

General



HDD | MINIMIZING FRAC-OUT RISK

Tooling concepts for HDD



1 WEEPER SUB

Reduces the risk of frac-outs significantly by gradually increasing the volume flow in the borehole. Less drilling fluid required at the drill bit.

TOOL DATA

- › Operation diameter: 8 ½" – 12 ¼"
- › Adjustable jet volume: 20 gpm – 105 gpm (75 l/min – 400 l/min)

2 DOWN HOLE JET PUMP

Installed directly behind the Full Face Hole Opener. Cleans the borehole and removes the cuttings directly inside the drill string.

TOOL DATA

- › Operation diameter: 20" – 72"
- › Operation flow rate: 475 gpm (1,800 l/min) at 65 bar



INSTALLATION OF CABLE BUNDLE WITH HDD

HK250T – 250to Trailer Rig in Denmark

- › H-395, HK250T
- › Crossing of Eastern Limfjord
- › Installation length: **1,551 m | 5,100 ft.**
- › Cutting diameter: 1,200 mm
- › bundle 3xDN400 + 1xDN355 (HDPE)
- › Geology: soft soil, dense chalk with flint

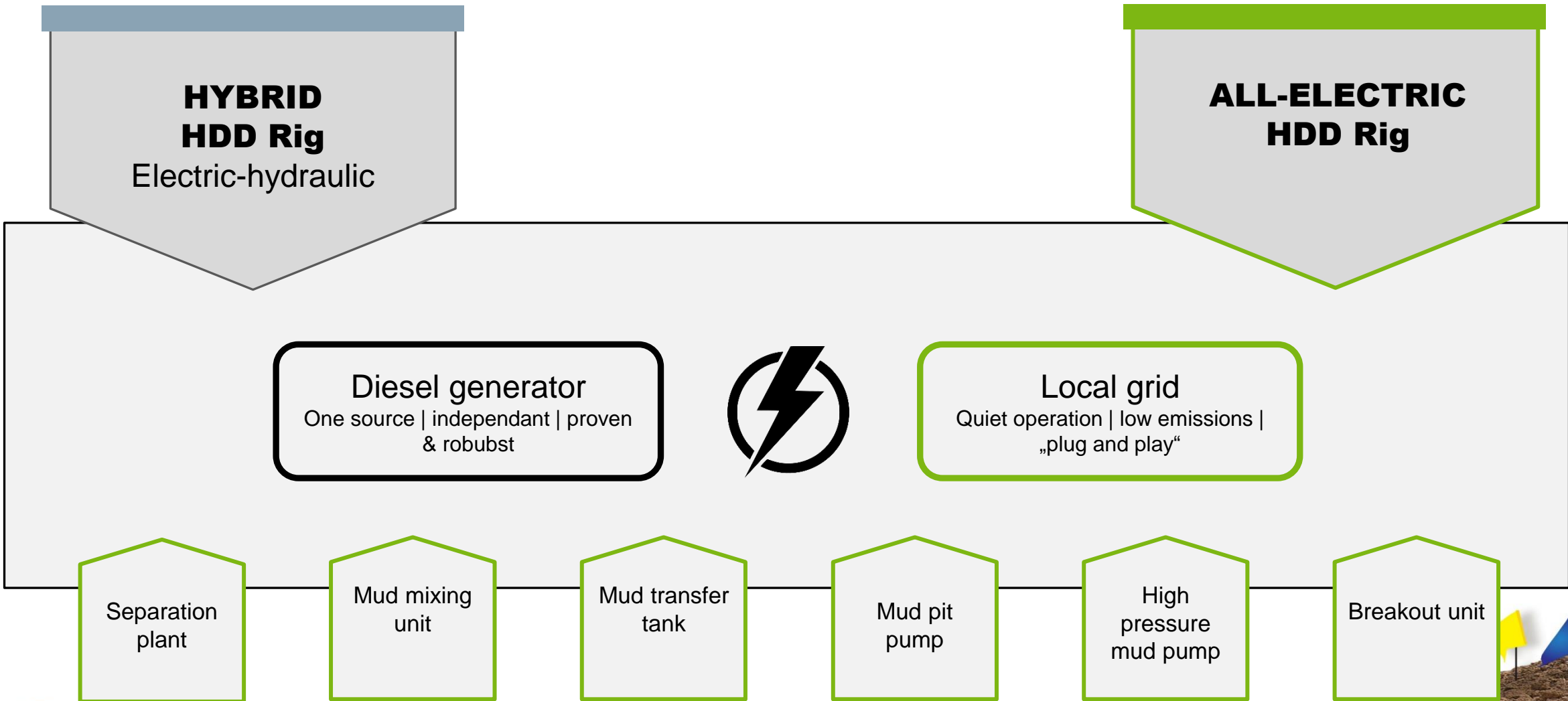


HK250T – 250to Trailer Rig in Marseille, France

- › H-138, HK250T
- › Crossing of streets, buildings, restricted space
- › 16 lines to pull-in (Ø 63 – 225 mm), incl. 2 x 225kV lines
- › Drilling length: 800m



HDD RIG RANGE AND EQUIPMENT



HYBRID HDD RIG | HK80CK HYBRID

New rig concepts for greener operations.

- › Compact crawler rig with electric engine
- › Small footprint for jobsites in urban areas
- › all components can be mounted directly on the rig
- › Low in emissions and noise



HYBRID RIG HK80CK

Rig

- › Installed power: 324 kW (434 hp)
- › Power transmission: Rack & Pinion
- › Drilling angle: 9°–21°
- › Drill pipe length: 6,000 mm (20 ft)
- › Pipe support system on mast: 2



ALL-ELECTRIC HDD RIG | HK300TE

New rig concepts for greener operations.

- › Electric Motors directly on carriage
- › High efficiency by elimination of hydraulic power losses
- › Low in emissions and noise
- › High availability: sensitive electronic parts located off the HDD Rig



ALL-ELECTRIC RIG HK300TE

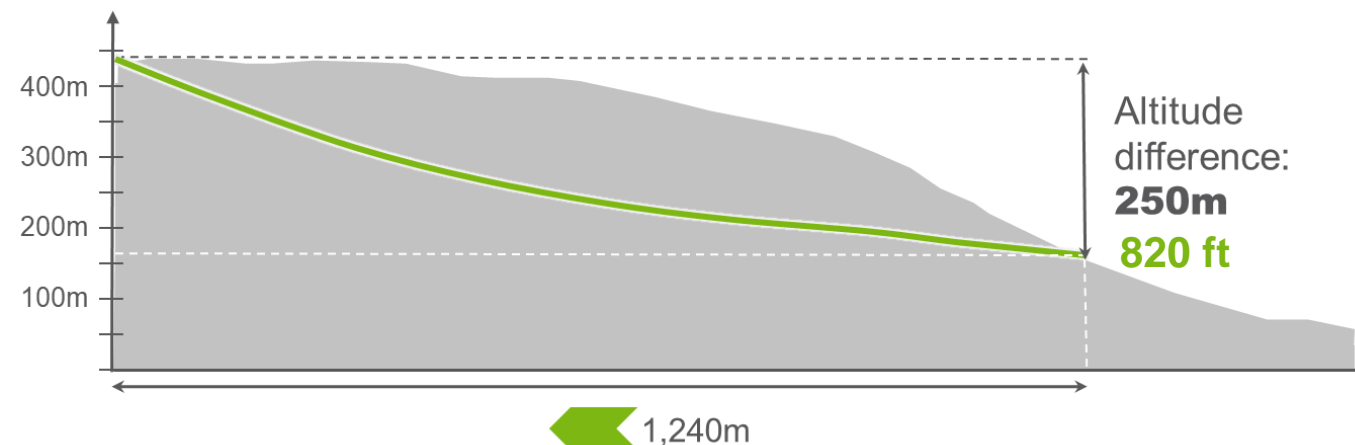
- › Installed power: 550 kW (740 hp)
- › Power transmission: Rack & Pinion
- › Drilling angle: 8° - 15°
- › Drill pipe length: 9.800 m (20 ft)
- › Pipe support system on mast: 2
- › Sound pressure level (L_{pA}): 72 dB(A)
- › Sound power level (L_w): 104 dB(A)



APPLICATION OF HDD FOR RENEWABLES

Reinaa Hydro Electric Powerplant, Meraker, Norway.

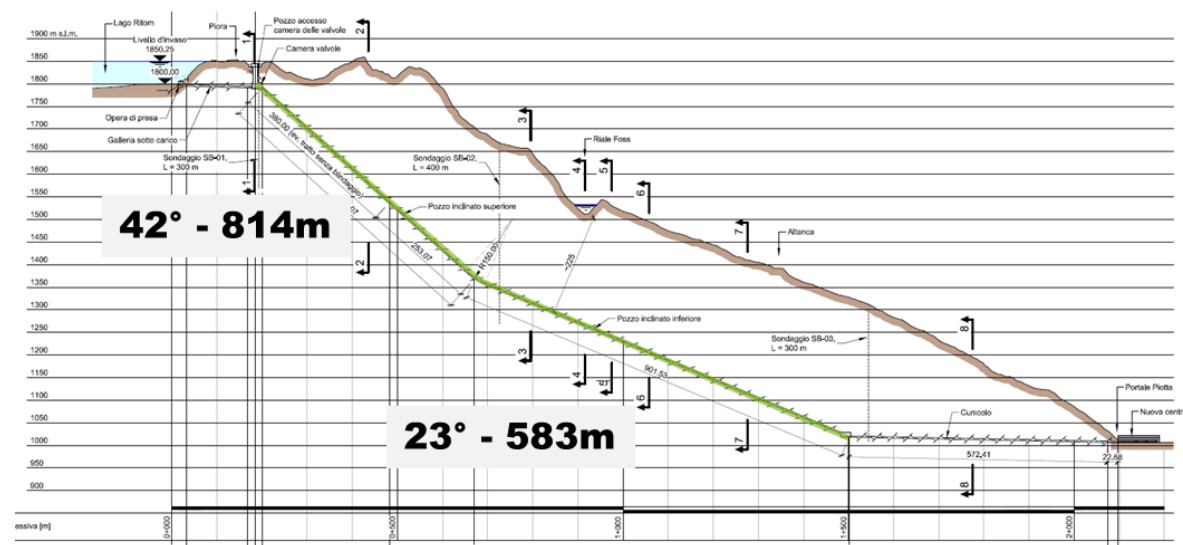
- › H-332, HK250C
- › Drilling length: 1,240m **4,000 ft**
- › Water Pipeline Ø: 32" / 813mm,
- › max. 24° slope
- › Drilling Ø: 978mm
- › Geology: hard rock > 200 Mpa



APPLICATION OF TRENCHLESS & TUNNELLING FOR RENEWABLES

Hydropower Station Ritom, Switzerland

- › M-2378M, Gripper TBM, OD 3230 mm
- › Total tunnel length: 1,397 m
- › Tunnell length: 1,397 m **4,600 ft**
- › Slope: **23° / 42°**
- › Geology: hard rock, up to 200 Mpa
- › Min. curve radius: 150 m vertical

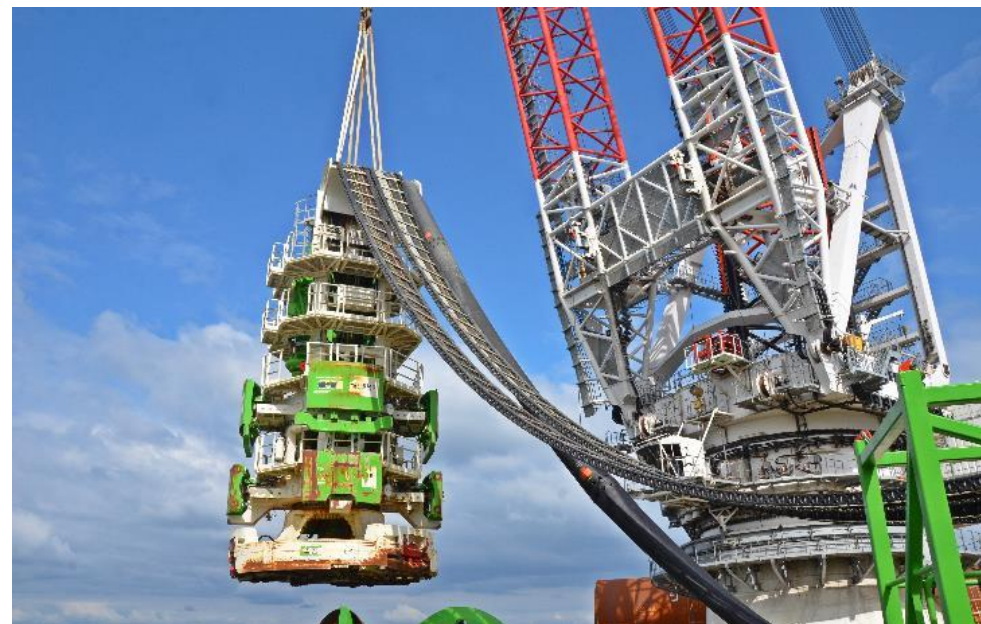


OFFSHORE FOUNDATION DRILLING

World premiere for wind farm St. Nazaire, France

73 drilled monopiles

Ø 7.7 m



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RENEWABLE ENERGIES AND POWER GRID EXPANSION

Technologies for sustainable energy transition



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