### **Project Overview**

This case study outlines the key financial and operational details of a proposed wind farm project with a total capacity of 250 MW. The project involves a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) with an initial price of \$112.5 per MWh, escalating at 2% per annum. The development cost is estimated at \$10,000,000, while the construction cost is projected to be \$1,500,000. The wind farm is expected to operate for 30 years.

# **Project Timeline**

Development Period: 12 months

o Start Date: 01/01/2022

o End Date: 12/31/2022

• Construction Period: 24 months

o Start Date: 01/01/2023

o End Date: 12/31/2024

Operations Period: 360 months (30 years)

Start Date: 01/01/2025

End Date: 12/31/2054

# **Debt Financing**

• **Debt Period**: 252 months (21 years)

The debt period begins at the start of the operations period and continues for 21 years.

#### **Financial Details**

• **PPA Price**: \$112.5 per MWh

PPA Escalation: 2% per annum

• Project Development Cost: \$10,000,000

• **Construction Cost**: \$1,500,000

• Capacity Factor: 90%

### **Project Phases**

1. Development Phase (01/01/2022 - 12/31/2022)

o **Cost**: \$10,000,000

 This phase involves securing permits, conducting feasibility studies, and finalizing the PPA agreement.

# 2. Construction Phase (01/01/2023 - 12/31/2024)

o Cost: \$1,500,000

 This phase includes the procurement of wind turbines, construction of infrastructure, and grid connection.

# 3. Operations Phase (01/01/2025 - 12/31/2054)

- o Revenue Generation: Begins at \$112.5 per MWh with a 2% annual escalation.
- The wind farm is expected to operate at a capacity factor of 90%, ensuring a high utilization rate and steady revenue stream.

### **Revenue Projections**

To estimate the annual revenue, we calculate the energy production and apply the PPA price, including the escalation.

# 1. Annual Energy Production:

o Total capacity: 250 MW

o Capacity factor: 90%

o Hours in a year: 8,760

o Annual Energy Production = 250 MW \* 0.90 \* 8,760 hours = 1,971,000 MWh

#### 2. Annual Revenue:

o Initial year PPA price: \$112.5 per MWh

First year revenue: 1,971,000 MWh \* \$112.5 = \$221,737,500

o Subsequent years' revenue increases by 2% annually due to PPA escalation.

### **Example Calculation for Subsequent Years:**

• Year 2 PPA price: \$112.5 \* (1 + 0.02) = \$114.75 per MWh

• Year 2 revenue: 1,971,000 MWh \* \$114.75 = \$226,172,250

This pattern continues for the 30-year operations period, providing a predictable and increasing revenue stream.

### **Debt Repayment**

• The debt repayment period spans 252 months, aligning with the early years of the operations period.

revenue inflows and maintain project viability.					