

Mobilgear SHC XMP 320 helps U.S. wind farm save US \$176,000 annually*



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Flender turbine gear drives | Wind farm | West Virgina, United States

Situation

A West Virginia-based wind farm operates 44
NEG MICON 1.5 MW wind turbines equipped with
Flender gearboxes, which are lubricated with
Mobilgear SHC™ XMP 320 synthetic gear oil.
Operating in a four- seasons climate with rain,
snow and temperatures ranging from − 10°F (-12°C)
to 100°F (37°C), presents significant lubrication
challenges. Supported by consistent filter changes
and routine oil analysis, Mobilgear SHC XMP 320
has performed well in these turbines for an average
of six years. The wind farm's maintenance team
works closely with ExxonMobil engineers to optimize
lubricant performance and equipment reliability.

Recommendation

ExxonMobil engineers recommended the continued use of **Mobilgear SHC XMP 320** gear oil and implementing **Mobil ServSM Lubricant Analysis** in the wind turbine gearboxes. This enables the wind farm to monitor both the lubricant and equipment condition, as well as establish proper lubricant drain intervals based on oil analysis findings.

Benefit

Mobilgear SCH XMP 320 gear oil and **Mobil Serv Lubricant Analysis** have helped this wind farm reduce oil changes, enhance component life and increase equipment availability to generate an estimated savings of US \$176,000 annually.

Impact

Through the continued use of **Mobilgear SHC XMP 320** and the implementation of **Mobil Serv Oil Analysis**, the company reports extending oil drain intervals to more than 49K hours, over twice the industry average, while maintaining excellent gear condition. These performance benefits have helped deliver a company-estimated annual total cost of ownership savings of US \$176,000.

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