



DEVELOPING ZERO WASTE WIND TURBINE BLADES WITH SUSTAINABLE MATERIALS

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LM Wind Power

A leading blade supplier to the wind industry



13 blade
factories



13,233 People
worldwide



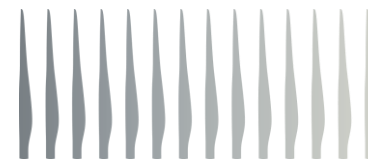
1/5 turbines in the world
have LM Wind Power blades



Global capacity and supply chain



251 million metric tons
of CO₂ mitigated



241,000 blades produced
since 1978

Sustainability is about enhancing enterprise value



- » Drive operational excellence
- » Exceed customer expectations
- » Reduce costs
- » Improve safety
- » Differentiate our brand
- » Improve reputation with key stakeholders
- » Reduce risk
- » Motivate and engage employees

Carbon Neutral Journey...

We chose to lead, Not follow

2010 – LM Wind Power joins UN Global Compact



December 2016:
LM Wind Power pledges to become
Carbon Neutral by 2018 : First for a
Wind value chain company

2016-2018 : Four main workstreams
make up our carbon neutrality
program, which we continuously
develop and improve



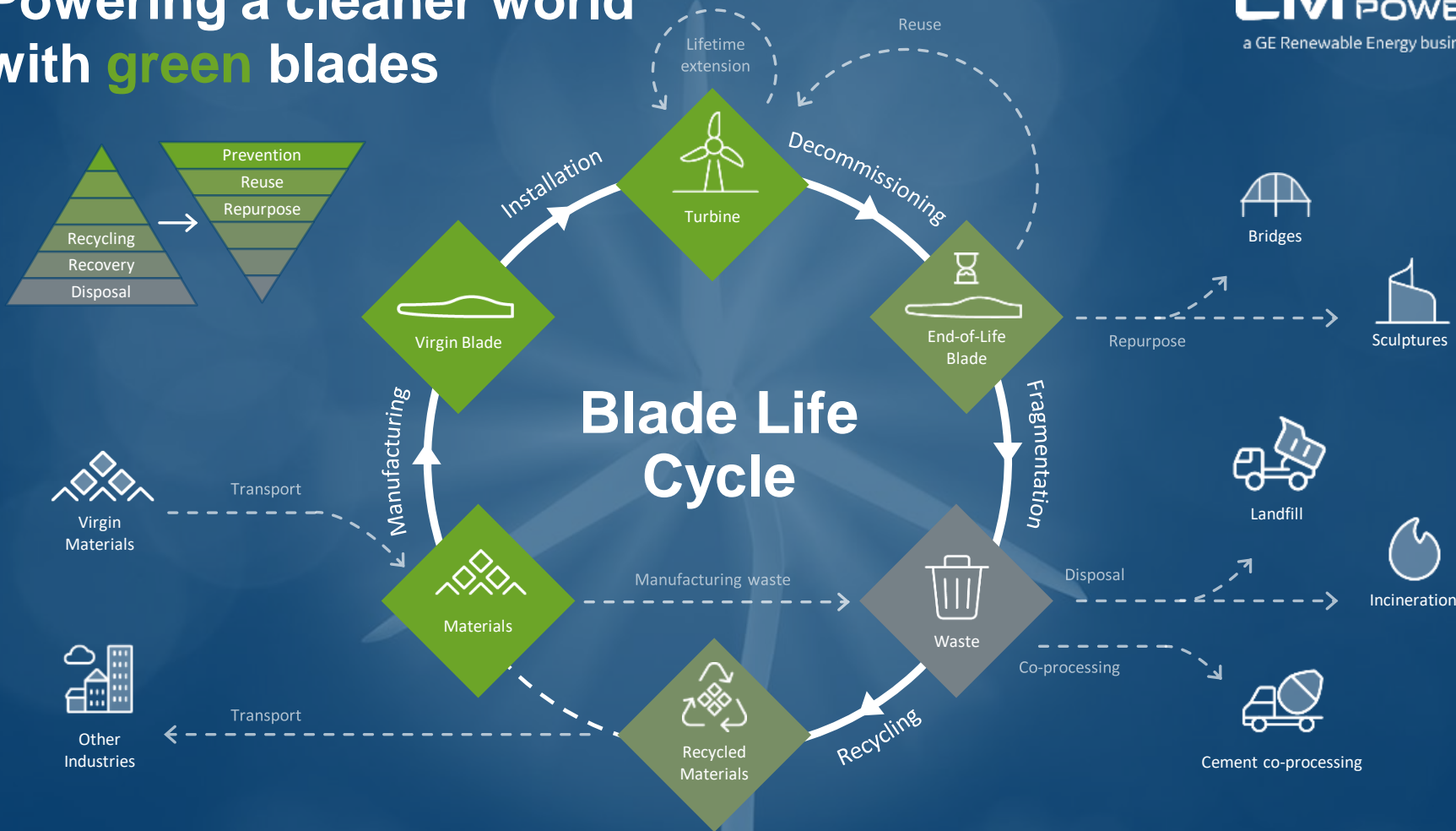
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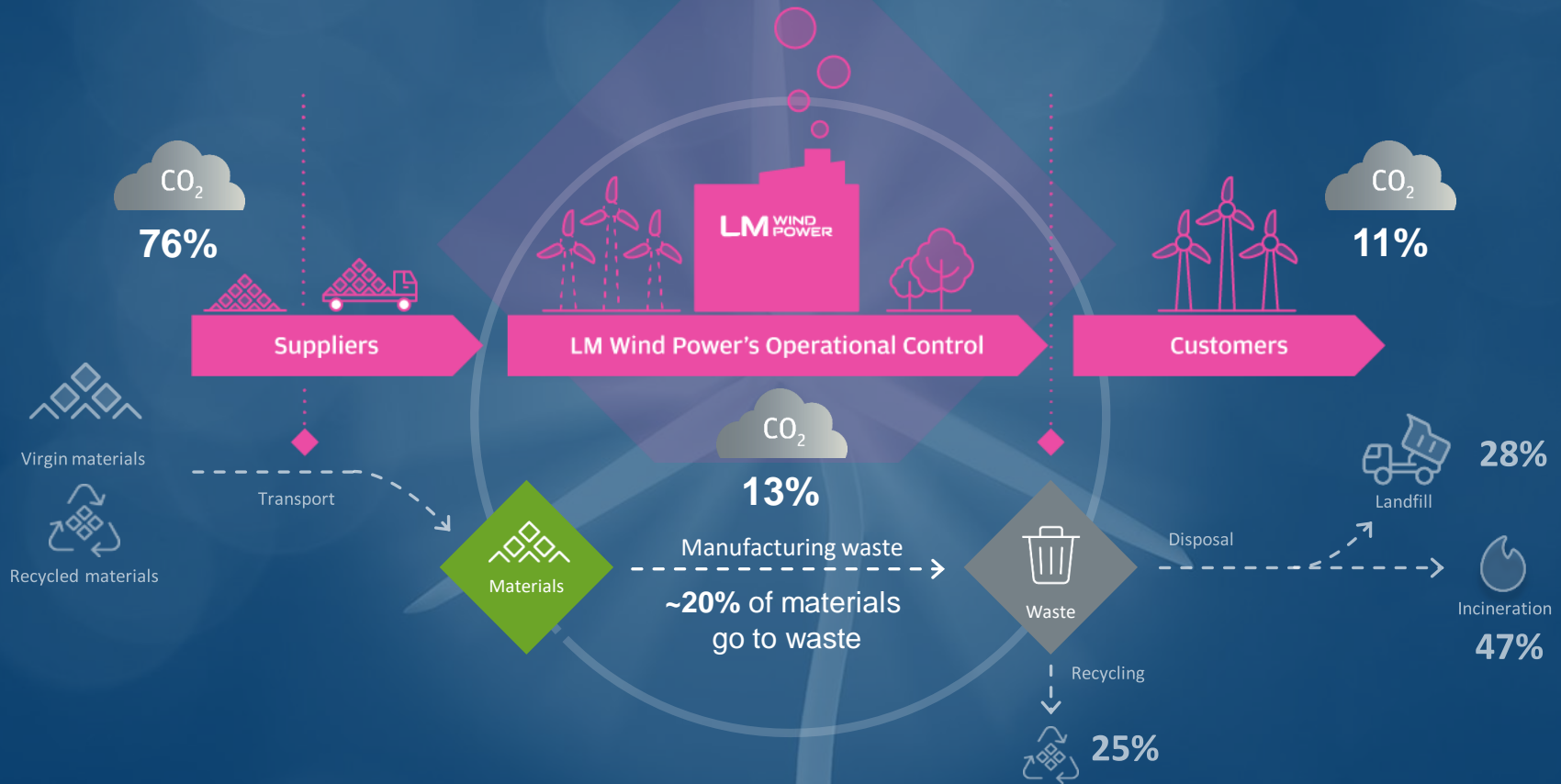
LM Wind Power achieved
Carbon Neutral status
during 30 August 2018 -
Four months ahead of
pledged timeline

Visit www.lmwindpower.com/gocarbonneutral for 10 steps to become a carbon neutral business

Powering a cleaner world with **green** blades



Reducing up- and downstream impacts



Sustainable materials at the core – From a plastic bottle to a wind turbine blade

Developing new materials requires long-term investment in R&I and close collaboration with suppliers

Balsa wood

PET

How can we keep the properties of balsa, without the drawbacks? (seasonality, supply chain risks, using virgin materials)

2017: First 40+ meter blade with full PET foam as the core material

2020: 60% of core material in LM blades is PET

Recycled
Materials

Virgin
Materials

Materials

Recycled PET (R-PET)

2018:
11%
R-PET

2019:
54%
R-PET

2020:
79%
R-PET

*Engaging with suppliers to increase recycled content reduces risks in our supply chain **and** improves sustainability of our products*

ZEBRA (Zero waste Blade ReseArch) project – Circular economy must link the full value chain

LM WIND POWER
a GE Renewable Energy business



Cross-sector partnerships and new value chains are required to realize the potential of manufacturing and material innovations in a circular economy

Towards a 100% sustainable wind energy sector

Recommended research actions

- » Mapping and evaluation of sustainable material system potential suitable for use in manufacture of wind turbine blades.
- » Development of new high-performance materials matching or outperforming current state of the art materials for wind turbine blades and securing full sustainable and easily recyclable blades at end of life.
- » Demonstration of the new developed materials in sustainable design of wind turbine blades.



Thank you for your time!





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