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### THE BAD

plethora of problems in the past have made it difficult for the Mexican Government to move in to the clean energy industry. Officials from the <u>Energy Regulatory Commission (CRE)</u> and the <u>Ministry of Energy (SENER)</u>, provided a list a reasons why this was the case. Some of these include the lack of domestic experience with renewable energy technology within the country. Government officials didn't support, or at least weren't interested in, investing in alternative fuel options. No incentives from the government existed to stimulate energy alternatives as a financially viable option to cheaper fuel options. Other problems sited include regulatory restraints and infrastructure problems, to name a few according to <u>Mitigation Partnership</u>.

#### THE GOOD

A massive project will begin in Mexico's state of Oaxaca on the Isthmus of Tehuantepec that will have dwarfed the total amount of mega wattage created by renewable energy projects in 2010, according to the Global Wind Energy Council. The Isthmus of Tehuantepec is considered one of the windiest places in the world. This 682 million dollar deal is currently being predicted to single handedly become the largest wind farm in Latin America.

A syndicate of commercial and development banks will be financing the project. Vestas Mexico subsidiary will be responsible for commissioning the work load and providing 132 of the 3 MW wind turbines. The Project is projected to be completed by the end of the year.

For more Wind Power info:

THE UGLY (A Side Note)

Donald Trump garnished severe criticism for his decision to create what he described as "the worlds greatest golf course" in Scotland. It is currently reaching completion on the Abserdeenshire coast.

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It was an area widely considered naturally beautiful and yet despite the protest of the locals and environmentalists, Trump was able to assert his will and build his golf course.

Trump recently expressed his outrage to the First Minister in a series of public statements and personal correspondence on the proposed energy plan that would consequently place a wind farm within view of his golf course and accommodating living establishments for his guests.

An ironic twist to this situation is Donald Trump's insistence that his main concern is preserving the environment and believes the wind farm project is more than just ugly and described it as "disastrous and environmentally irresponsible," according to www.thenational.ae.

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