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The impetus of writing this book was a lack of books on the market that targeted engineers. Specifically, I wanted to write a book that would give an engineer from any discipline sufficient knowledge about the multi-disciplinary field of wind energy. Â This book intends to bring to bear at least five disciplines in order to provide a reasonably comprehensive understanding of the field of wind energy. Â The five disciplines are Meteorology, Mechanical & Aeronautical engineering, Civil engineering, Electrical engineering and Environmental engineering. Â In addition, to these core engineering disciplines, the book has chapters on finance and project management, two business related disciplines that are key to wind energy. I wrote the book with the following audience in mind. Â First are engineers and scientists that are in the wind industry, but practice in a narrow segment of the industry that covers their specific discipline. Second are engineers and scientists that want to enter the wind industry. Third are undergraduate engineering students and technical college students that want to learn about the various disciplines in wind energy engineering. Â Finally, the intended audience is business people and project managers that work in the wind energy industry. Â As an engineer, you will find sufficient detail about each of the topics. Â I have kept the level of math to a level that would be comfortable to a practicing engineer. Â In areas that require sophisticated math, I have attempted to provide insights into the relationships. --Preface of book

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