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Zilkha Biomass Energy Announces Full Output from its Wood-Fired Energy Cogeneration Unit

Houston, TX -- Zilkha Biomass Energy LLC (Zilkha) announced today that its first commercial biomass-fired cogeneration unit reached full rated output of electricity generation yesterday at the Jaffrey, New Hampshire location. The Zilkha cogeneration unit is co-located with the New England Wood Pellet (NEWP) production facility. The Zilkha cogeneration unit is a 1.5 megawatt facility utilizing a Kawasaki gas turbine package combined with a proprietary biomass combustor and is fueled with wood chips supplied by NEWP. The electrical and thermal output of the unit will be delivered to NEWP under a multi-year contract after commissioning.

“We are excited to have completed construction of our first commercial cogeneration unit and to have reached full output of the unit using only solid wood fuel,” said Jeff McMahon, President, in a written statement.

The project represents the first installation of a high efficiency, direct-fired, wood-fueled gas turbine power generation facility in the United States.

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Zilkha Biomass Energy LLC, a Houston, Texas company, owns a proprietary cogeneration technology that uses solid renewable fuel to power a gas combustion turbine. Zilkha is focused on the light industrial and commercial sectors which can benefit by distributed generation to deploy its build-own-operate business model to reduce energy costs for its customers while promoting the use of renewable energy technology. For more information, visit the Zilkha website at www.zilkhabiomass.com.