

# John Vanden Bosche

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**PROFILE** A skilled mechanical engineer, experienced in the wind energy industry, who is also a registered U.S. patent agent.

**EDUCATION:** **University of Texas at El Paso** *El Paso, Texas | 1996*  
Master of Science, Mechanical Engineering  
Thesis topic was Control Strategy Options for Variable Speed Wind Turbines.

**West Virginia University** *Morgantown, West Virginia | 1989*  
Bachelor of Science, Mechanical Engineering

**EXPERIENCE:** **Chinook Wind** *2001 – present*  
*Principal Engineer*

Developed a new business providing engineering consulting services to the wind industry. Services provided include wind turbine design, testing, and analysis, owner engineering, performance monitoring and evaluation, wind data collection and analysis, site selection, due diligence, and project management. Clients include project developers, wind turbine manufacturers, independent power producers, utilities, and government research laboratories.

**U.S. Patent Agent** *1991 - Present*  
*Self Employed*

Built and ran a small but profitable business as a registered U.S. Patent Agent. Clients are from industry and academia and represent a wide variety of technologies.

**Global Energy Concepts** *1998 –2001*  
*Project Engineer*

Worked with clients in the wind industry on a variety of projects providing technical advice regarding power curve measurements, turbine commissioning, SCADA system planning, design, and installation, evaluation of wind turbine retrofit options, investigation of lightning damage and icing effects, and development of operation and maintenance strategies. Provided contract review and due diligence services to utilities and wind plant developers. Also served as Principal Investigator in a research project investigating methods for self-erection of wind turbines.

**Dynamic Design** *1996 –1998*  
*Senior Engineer*

Provided engineering consulting services to the wind energy industry in California and to the National Renewable Energy Laboratory. A major focus of the work was field testing of wind turbines. Performed loads and dynamics tests on six turbines ranging in size from 100 kW to 500 kW. Contributed conceptual ideas and practical field experience to the design team working on the Wind Eagle, an innovative highly flexible wind turbine. Also provided services in modeling, analysis, evaluation, and documentation of wind turbine designs.

**University of Texas at El Paso** *1994 - 1996*  
*Research Assistant*

Assisted with several state and federally funded research projects in the area of wind energy. The research was in the areas of meteorology and site characterization and development of a variable speed rotor. Led a team developing a variable speed wind turbine and controller.

**Wind Harvest Company**

1991 - 1993

*Project Engineer*

Built, tested and analyzed prototypes of three different models of the Windstar, an innovative vertical axis wind turbine. Installed a wind farm in South Wales, UK. Work in the UK involved wind site prospecting, meteorological data analysis, and negotiating land leases.

**PAST  
CONSULTING  
CLIENTS**

PacifiCorp Power Marketing  
 GE Wind  
 enXco  
 Bonneville Power Administration  
 Windland  
 Energy Unlimited, Inc.  
 Renewable Energy Systems USA  
 Southwest Windpower  
 Suzlon Energy  
 Town of Laurel, NE  
 Global Energy Concepts  
 Sequoia Energy  
 Coastal Community Action Program  
 Ocean Wind Energy Systems  
 Wind Harvest Company  
 Fortrend Engineering  
 Florida Power & Light  
 SeaWest  
 Cannon Power Corp.  
 Suzlon  
 Dutch Energy  
 BP Alternative Energy

Gael Energy  
 TPI Composites  
 Dynamic Design  
 U.S. Department Of Energy  
 National Renewable Energy Laboratory  
 Electric Power Research Institute  
 Wisconsin Public Service  
 Black & Veatch  
 Valmont Industries  
 Basin Electric  
 Wind Energy Group, Ltd.  
 Gold, Bennet, & Cera  
 PS Enterprises  
 Met-Tech  
 Southwest Die Corp.  
 X-L Synergy  
 Law Office of Wayne Pritchard  
 Vestas America  
 Clipper Windpower  
 Ridgeline Energy  
 Chevron Technology Ventures

**CONSULTING  
SERVICES  
PROVIDED**

Wind turbine power performance testing  
 Wind turbine structural testing  
 Wind turbine dynamics & vibration testing  
 Test data analysis and interpretation  
 Wind turbine performance evaluation  
 Wind farm performance monitoring  
 Wind farm construction management  
 Wind turbine commissioning  
 Wind turbine component design  
 Wind turbine retrofit design  
 Meteorological data collection  
 Meteorological data review and analysis  
 Wind site prospecting  
 Wind site analysis and qualification  
 Direct procurement of international patents

Negotiation of land leases for wind sites  
 Appraisal of wind farms  
 Appraisal of individual wind turbines  
 Appraisal of spare parts inventories  
 Project performance projections  
 Economic feasibility studies  
 Proforma review  
 Contract review  
 Due diligence review  
 Expert witness report preparation  
 Develop intellectual property strategy  
 Draft U.S. patent applications  
 Prosecute U.S. patent applications  
 Patentability and validity searches

Meteorological tower planning and installation  
Evaluation of windfarm output impacts on utility system operation  
Direction of avian, environmental, noise, transmission, geotechnical, aviation,  
and cultural studies

**WIND TURBINES  
WORKED ON**

|                 |               |
|-----------------|---------------|
| Zond Z-40A      | Tacke 600e    |
| Zond Z-40FS     | Vestas V15    |
| Enron MW        | Vestas V17    |
| Wind Eagle      | Vestas V27    |
| Nedwind N40     | Vestas V39    |
| MHI-250         | Vestas V47    |
| MHI-600         | Vestas V66    |
| Micon 108       | Bonus 65 kW   |
| Nordtank 65     | Bonus 1.3 MW  |
| WEG MS4         | PSE 100 kW    |
| Kenetech MVS 33 | Windstar 160  |
| Kenetech KVS 46 | Windstar 530  |
| AOC 15/50       | Windstar 1066 |

**WIND INDUSTRY  
PROFESSIONAL  
SERVICE**

Board of Directors for Northwest SEED  
Member of IEC Power Performance Testing Standard Committee  
Member of Technical Committee for 2002 Global Windpower Conference  
Wind resource assessment subcommittee of the Idaho State Wind Working Group

**PUBLICATIONS**

**Comparison of Methodologies for Power Performance Testing**

American Wind Energy Association Conference Proceedings, May 2005.

**GIS Mapping Tools to Promote Policies and Community-Scale Projects**

American Wind Energy Association Conference Proceedings, May 2005.

**Low Windspeed Turbine Project Conceptual Design Study Advanced Independent Pitch Control, May 2004.**

**Simple Arrays of Wind Turbines as a Practical Alternative to the Single Large Rotor Machines, American Wind Energy Association Conference Proceedings, May 2003.**

**Development of a Renewable Energy Resource Atlas of the West**

American Wind Energy Association Conference Proceedings, June 2002.

**TVP News Bulletin and Quarterly Stats Page**

U.S. Department of Energy-Electric Power Research Institute Wind Turbine Verification Program, 1999-2001.

**Wisconsin Low Wind Speed Turbine Project Third-Year Operating Experience: 2000-2001**

U.S. Department of Energy - Electric Power Research Institute Wind Turbine Verification Program, EPRI TR-1004041, December 2001.

**Iowa / Nebraska Distributed Wind Generation Projects First and Second-Year Operating Experience: 1999-2001, U.S. Department of Energy - Electric Power Research Institute Wind Turbine Verification Program, EPRI TR-1004039, December 2001.**

**WindPACT Turbine Design Scaling Studies Tehnical Area 3 – Self-Erecting Tower and Nacelle Feasibility** March 2000 - March 2001. (2001). 72 pp.; NICH Report No. SR-500-29493.

**Project Performance in the DOE-EPRI Wind Turbine Verification Program**  
America Wind Energy Association Conference Proceedings, June 2001.

**Baseline Power Performance Test for the Z-50 Wind Turbine in Algona, Iowa**  
U.S. Department of Energy-Electric Power Research Institute Wind Turbine Verification Program, December 2001.

**Baseline Power Performance Test for the Z-50 Wind Turbine in Springview, Nebraska**  
U.S. Department of Energy-Electric Power Research Institute Wind Turbine Verification Program, December 2001.

**Baseline Power Performance Test for the AOC 15/50 Wind Turbine in Kotzebue, Alaska**  
U.S. Department of Energy-Electric Power Research Institute Wind Turbine Verification Program, December 2001.

**TVP Project-At-A-Glance: Wisconsin Low Wind Speed Turbine Project**, U.S. Department of Energy-Electric Power Research Institute Wind Turbine Verification Program, February 2001.

**TVP Project-At-A-Glance: Iowa Distributed Wind Generation Project**, U.S. Department of Energy-Electric Power Research Institute Wind Turbine Verification Program, February 2001.

**TVP Project-At-A-Glance: Nebraska Distributed Wind Generation Project**, U.S. Department of Energy-Electric Power Research Institute Wind Turbine Verification Program, February 2001.

**Power Performance Testing Progress in the DOE/EPRI Turbine Verification Program**  
15 pp.; NICH Report No. CP-500-30667

**Power Quality of Distributed Wind Projects in the Turbine Verification Program**  
13 pp.; NICH Report No. CP-500-30407

**Power Performance Testing Activities in the DOE-EPRI Turbine Verification Program**  
15 pp.; NICH Report No. CP-500-28589.

**Review of Operation and Maintenance Experience in the DOE-EPRI Wind Turbine Verification Program.** 13 pp.; NICH Report No. CP-500-28620.

**Comparison of Projections to Actual Performance in the DOE-EPRI Wind Turbine Verification Program.** 14 pp.; NICH Report No. CP-500-28608.

**Wisconsin Low Wind Speed Turbine Project First- and Second-Year Operating Experience: 1998-2000**, U.S. Department of Energy - Electric Power Research Institute Wind Turbine Verification Program, EPRI TR-1000959, June 2000.

**Wind Turbine Verification Project Experience: 1999**, U.S. Department of Energy - Electric Power Research Institute Wind Turbine Verification Program, EPRI TR-1000961, June 2000.

**Baseline Power Performance Test for the Tacke 600e Wind Turbine in Glenmore, Wisconsin,** U.S. Department of Energy-Electric Power Research Institute Wind Turbine Verification Program, December 1999.

**Project Development Experience at the Iowa and Nebraska Distributed Wind Generation Projects,** U.S. Department of Energy-Electric Power Research Institute Wind Turbine Verification Program, EPRI TR-112835, December 1999.

**Baseline Power Performance Test for the Z-40FS Wind Turbine in Searsburg, Vermont, U.S.** Department of Energy-Electric Power Research Institute Wind Turbine Verification Program, September 1999.

**Wisconsin Low Wind Speed Turbine Project Development,** U.S. Department of Energy-Electric Power Research Institute Wind Turbine Verification Program, EPRI TR-111438, December 1998.

**Balancing Energy Capture and Structural Loads on Variable Speed Wind Turbines.** Collection of the 1997 ASME Wind Energy Symposium Technical Papers Presented at the 35th AIAA Aerospace Sciences Meeting and Exhibit, 6-9 January 1997, Reno, Nevada. Washington, DC: American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics; pp. 309-318; NICH Report No. 23291.

**Control Strategy Options for Variable Speed Wind Turbines,** The University of Texas at El Paso, Master's Thesis, July 1996.

**Control System Design for a Variable Speed Yaw Controlled Wind Turbine.** Windpower '95: Proceedings of the Annual Conference and Exhibition of the American Wind Energy Association, 26-30 March 1995, Washington, DC. Washington, DC: American Wind Energy Association; pp. 187-193; NICH Report No. 21805.

**PRESENTATIONS**

- Wind Turbine Aerodynamics**  
West Virginia University October 1996
  
- Patent Law** –Mechanical Engineering graduate seminar,  
University of Texas at El Paso February 1995
  
- Patent Law** –Electrical Engineering graduate seminar  
University of Texas at El Paso April 1995
  
- Cold Weather Operation Concerns** – Utility Wind Interest Group workshop  
Anchorage, AK June 2000
  
- Self Erecting Wind Turbine Workshop**  
National Renewable Energy Laboratory September 2000

**PATENT EXPERIENCE**

| Patent No. | Inventor      | Title  |
|------------|---------------|--|
| 5,219,454  | Class         | Method & apparatus for balancing wind turbine rotors |
| 5,332,925  | Thomas        | Vertical windmill with omnidirectional diffusion     |
| 5,411,471  | Terrazas      | Neck relaxer   |
| 5,419,572  | Stiller et al | Reciprocating bicycle drive                          |
| 5,533,418  | Wu et al      | Spherical robotic shoulder joint                     |

|           |               |   |
|-----------|---------------|---|
| 5,558,892 | Pelka et al   | Method and apparatus for making churros                                       |
| 5,676,032 | Johnson       | Steel rule die with closely nested cavities                                   |
| 5,758,025 | Wu            | Dynamically adaptive fuzzy interval controller                                |
| 5,844,759 | Hirsh et al   | Electrical fault interrupter  |
| 5,937,896 | Hirsh et al   | Shock & arc protection for an electrical distribution system                  |
| 5,943,198 | Hirsh et al   | Electrical fault interrupt circuits   |
| 5,983,766 | Johnson       | Steel rule cutting die with removable cutting units and method for using same |
| 6,192,821 | Morales et al | Boat mounted hydro-alternator   |
| 6,478,606 | McNerney      | Twist-on connector with a heat-shrinkable skirt                               |
| 6,616,034 | Wu et al      | Radio frequency identification system   |
| 6,664,704 | Calley        | Electrical machine  |
| 6,703,718 | Calley et al  | Wind turbine controller   |
| 6,749,399 | Heronemus     | Vertical array wind turbine   |
| 6,902,370 | Dawson et al  | Telescoping Wind Turbine Blade  |
| 6,932,558 | Wu            | Wafer Aligner   |

## REFERENCES

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