

UK: Tidal Transit Achieves Its First 10,000 Safe Transfers

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Tidal Transit has just celebrated the completion of 10,000 safe passenger transfers from its two personnel transfer vessels to wind turbines situated in the North Sea.

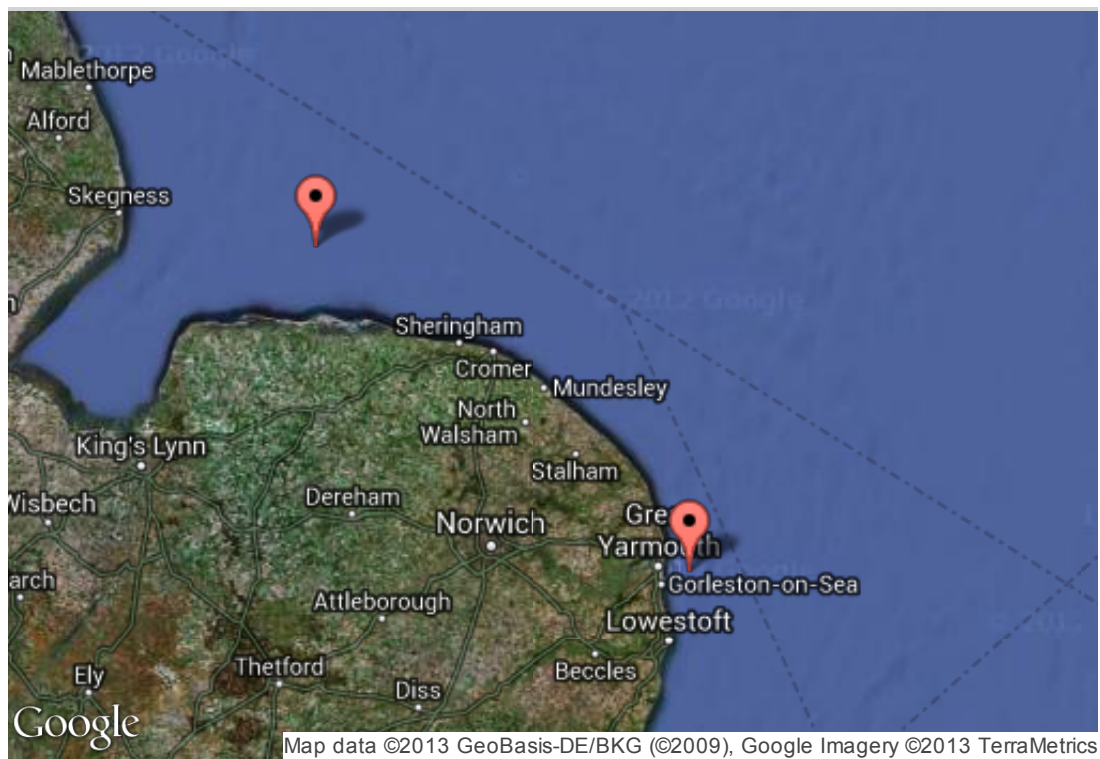
The Ginny Louise and Eden Rose sail to the wind farms on most days from either Wells-next-the-Sea or Great Yarmouth to transfer wind farm maintenance technicians and their tools. Anyone familiar with the often unfriendly weather conditions these two remarkable vessels face in the waters off the East Anglian coast will appreciate this achievement.

Even in calm seas, transferring personnel from vessel to turbine is one of the most potentially hazardous processes faced by those working in the young offshore wind energy industry. It is a tribute to the design of Tidal Transit's vessels, and the Health and Safety procedures of both Tidal Transit and the offshore wind energy companies to which it charters its vessels, that 10,000 transfers have been carried out with 100% safety record.

Tidal Transit's Leo Hambro is delighted with his company's safety record, saying: *"Ginny Louise and Eden Rose have been in use on the Greater Gabbard and the Sheringham Shoal Offshore Wind Farms respectively, during both the construction and operational phases. The vessels are purpose built, and able to accommodate most types of weather conditions.*

Their performance has vindicated Tidal Transit's investment in these state-of-the-art vessels."

Tidal Transit's third vessel, Tia Elizabeth will join the fleet very shortly, and it is likely that it will immediately go on long term charter in the North Sea.



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