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## Aspiring to Be a Gateway to Energy

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### Wakkanai, border city near Russia

Only 43km from Sakhalin



# Wakkanai is one of the most suitable areas for wind power generation in Japan.

The city is home to many wind power plants; 74 generators (total output 76,000kW) are in operation as of January 2014.

It corresponds to 85% of annual consumption of the city.

Name	Operator	Output	Purpose	Built
Wakkanai Wind Power Plant	Wakkanai Wind Power	800 kW (400 kW × 2)	Power selling	Feb. 1998
		1,500 kW (750 kW × 2)		Jun. 2001
Wakkanai Park Wind Power Plant	Wakkanai City	225 kW (225 kW × 1)	Facility operation	Oct. 1998
Wakkanai City Waterworks Department Wind Power Plant	Wakkanai City Waterworks Department	1,980 kW (660 kW × 3)	Purification plant operation	Dec. 2000
Sarakitomanai Wind Farm	Sarakitomanai Wind Power	14,850 kW (1,650 kW × 9)	Power selling	Oct. 2001
Soyamisaki Wind Farm	Eurus Energy Soya	57,000 kW (1,000 kW × 57)	Power selling	Nov. 2005

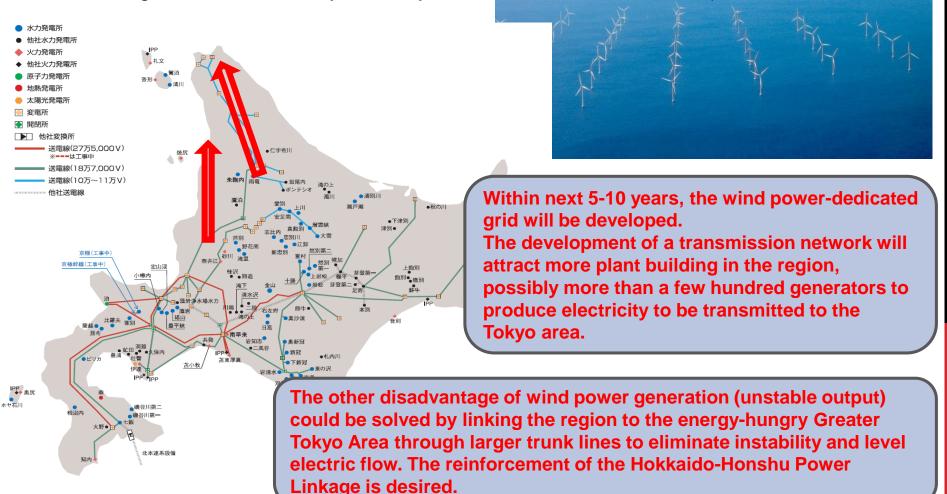
#### < Wakkanai's advantages >

- Topographical features suitable for wind power generation
- ◆ Few natural disasters
- Good traffic access including airport and sea port
- **♦** A vast area of land available



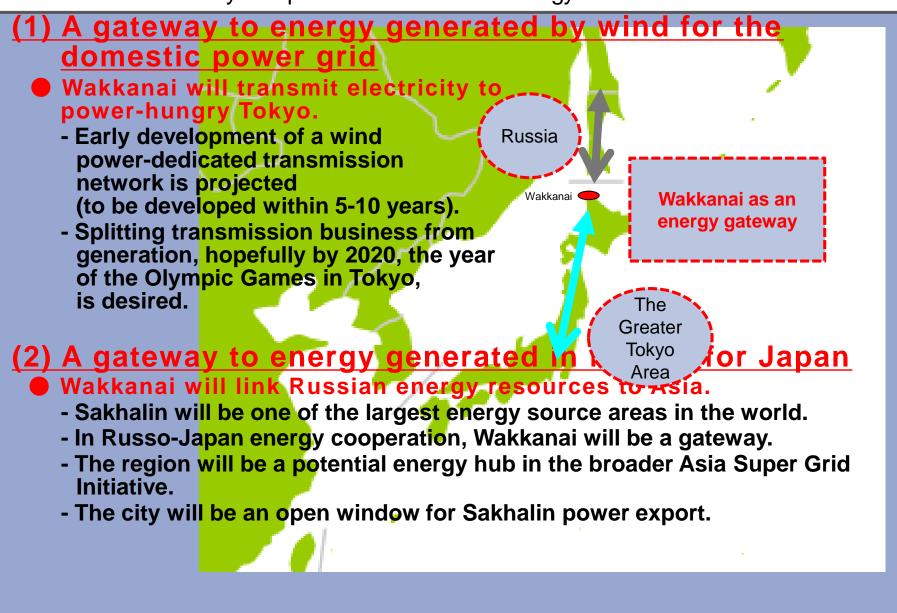
The development of wind power-dedicated grid is projected.

To accelerate the introduction of wind power generation, Japan is building a dedicated transmission network, first in several parts of north Hokkaido and Tohoku regions (with a national budget of 25,000,000,000 yen already allocated to Hokkaido in FY2013.)



#### Wakkanai as a gateway to energy

The northernmost city in Japan now becomes the energy hub in the Far East.



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# Thank you all for listening so attentively.