



Colorado Science and Engineering Fair

2024 Individual Project Abstract Form

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Title of Project: Blade Type and Quantity vs Blade Efficiency for Wind Turbines

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Category: Environmental Engineering (ENEV)

Division: Junior (6th - 8th grades)

Abstract (250 words or less):

In a world that relies so heavily on electricity, it is important to increase energy production. If I increase turbine productivity by 1%, we could save 210 terawatt hours. If you used the savings from all the wind turbines in the world, we could power 76% of the UK. My project is to see how the shape and number of turbine blades affects how much energy is generated. I attached the different shapes and number of blades in front of a fan to spin a motor. I measured the energy produced with a voltmeter. Four supercritical blades worked the best producing 2.21 times more volts than the average configuration of 3 small blades.

I hereby certify that the above statements are correct and the information provided in the Abstract is the result of one year's research. I also attest that the above properly reflects my own work.

Finalist's Signature:

Date:

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