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SUEZ continues its developments in South America

Proposing project investments in the north of Chile to guarantee energy supply

SUEZ Energy International is evaluating investments for up to 700 MUSD to guarantee short and long-term security of energy supply in the north of Chile, for which it presented a plan to the authorities of the Chilean Ministry of Mines and Energy.

The plan provides for the installation of an LNG regasification terminal in Northern Chile, to supply natural gas to the local power plants. The proposed solution could deliver gas as early as July 2008.

The plan also includes the construction of two thermal generation units, each with a net capacity of 200MW that burn coal, petcoke or a mixture of both. The first unit could be operating in 2011.

Dirk Beeuwsaert, CEO of SUEZ Energy International explained : *“This plan is realistic and allows to answer the current crisis in Chile which is brought about by the gas supply restrictions from Argentina and the significant dependence on gas-fired installations in the north of Chile. SUEZ - through its companies Edelnor and Electroandina - has the most diversified production capacity in this region and its coal plants are essential for the energy supply during the gas supply restrictions.*

The solution we are proposing now will - in the short and long term – further diversify and secure the energy offer for the Chilean economy.

SUEZ has the resources and world wide experience in the energy and LNG business to ensure the implementation of this plan and guarantee energy supply for the growing energy needs in Chile.”

SUEZ Energy International is continuously developing its activities in South America. Only last week it announced the construction of a second 174 MW unit to its Chilca gas-fired open cycle plant in **Peru**.

At the June 29 energy auctions in **Brazil**, SUEZ succeeded in selling 493 MW of power, representing over 6 billion Euro, covering a term of 30 years.



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