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United Group enters Canadian power project alliance

Engineering and property services company United Group Limited (ASX:UGL) is pleased to confirm its infrastructure business is part of an alliance that will carry out approximately C\$700 million (\$800 million) of works for Canadian utility ATCO Electric.

UGL Infrastructure and partner Balfour Beatty will provide engineering, construction, procurement and project management services to ATCO Electric over a five- year period as it upgrades its high-voltage transmission system including lines and substations in Alberta.

The works are part of the 10-year transmission system plan for 2007 to 2017 identified by the Alberta Electric System Operator. This plan outlines potential capital investment of C\$5 billion in the Alberta transmission network.

UGL Infrastructure's share of the alliance is about 40 per cent, equating to an estimated potential contract value of C\$280 million, which adds to the group's significant presence in the United States and Canada through its property services business.

United Group Managing Director & CEO Richard Leupen said the alliance was an exciting opportunity for UGL Infrastructure as it looked to expand its global reach into markets that offered opportunities for long-term sustainable growth.

"We have been looking at entering the North American engineering market for some time. It has similarities to Australia in terms of geography, industry and culture and we hope to build our business in the region over time," Mr Leupen said.

"This is the kind of high-quality contract United Group needs to help it deliver earnings in financial year 2009 in line with previous guidance of meeting analysts' expectations for growth of between 10 and 20 per cent.

"This guidance remains subject to continued global economic uncertainty, the challenging cost environment and any unforeseen factors."

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