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United Group Limited secures long-term EnergyAustralia alliance

Sydney: Engineering and property services company United Group Limited (ASX:UGL) is pleased to confirm it has secured an alliance agreement to deliver new sub-stations to NSW utility EnergyAustralia.

The agreement relates to EnergyAustralia's proposed \$8.6 billion electricity network upgrade and renewal program for the Sydney, Hunter Valley and Central Coast regions between 2009 and 2014.

Given the scope of this program, EnergyAustralia has awarded two alliance contracts to private-sector services providers, of which UGL Infrastructure is one, to handle over-flow works.

UGL Infrastructure and EnergyAustralia will negotiate the specific terms of individual projects at such time as they become necessary on a case-by-case basis. Discussions on the first project are underway.

The works will predominantly relate to the provision of turn-key engineering services including design, construction and procurement for civil works, buildings, mechanical and electrical works for multiple high-voltage substations.

"Securing this alliance cements UGL's position as a leading provider of capital works programs to the power sector, with major projects underway in Australia, New Zealand and Canada," UGL Managing Director & CEO Richard Leupen said.

"It's another long-term source of recurring revenue from a high-quality client that adds further security and depth to UGL's order book and highlights our solid position despite the weaker economic conditions."

UGL Infrastructure's alliance includes Manidis Roberts, a provider of specialist communications and environmental services.

EnergyAustralia owns, operates and maintains power transmission and distribution infrastructure for supply of power to residential, commercial and industrial customers in Sydney, Newcastle and the upper Hunter Valley.

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