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Senoko Power Announces S\$750 million Stage 2 Repowering

Singapore, 30 September 2008 – Senoko Power formally signed today a S\$750 million Stage 2 repowering programme to convert its three thirty years old Stage 2 oil-fired 250MW steam plants into two technologically modern and environmentally-friendly gas-fired 430MW combined cycle plants (CCPs).

Senoko Power has selected a consortium comprising Mitsubishi Corporation, Mitsubishi Heavy Industries and Hitachi Asia as the contractor for the engineering, procurement and construction of the new plants. They were selected through a competitive bidding process. Mitsubishi's latest gas turbines will be used in this project. Their efficiency is at least 2 percentage points higher than Senoko Power's existing CCPs, thus representing a low-cost base to provide competitively priced electricity to consumers.

The 860MW repowering programme will transform Senoko Power's thirty-year-old Stage 2 oil-fired steam plants into state-of-the art, highly efficient and environmentally-friendly LNG/gas-fired CCPs. Through extensive reuse of existing equipment, the construction cost of the new plants is 40 per cent lower than that of a greenfield development.

This S\$750 million commitment follows hard on the heels of the S\$4 billion acquisition of Senoko Power by the Lion Power consortium comprising Marubeni Corporation (30%), GDF SUEZ S.A. (30%), The Kansai Electric Power Co., Inc. (15%), Kyushu Electric Power Co., Inc. (15%) and Japan Bank for International Cooperation (10%).

"This major investment underscores the owners' confidence in the Singapore economy and the long-term vision of maintaining Senoko Power as the leading power generation company in Singapore. We believe that with the repowering programme, Singapore will benefit from more efficient and more competitive electricity generation capability and be better positioned for the post-Kyoto global carbon reduction commitments once they are agreed," said Mr Koji Kuroda, General Manager, Machinery Department, Marubeni Singapore Pte Ltd.

“This investment affords Senoko Power and Singapore many advantages in terms of reducing its carbon intensity and improving supply reliability,” added Mr Guy Richelle, CEO of GDF SUEZ Energy Middle East-Asia & Africa.

According to the recent global emissions analysis undertaken by CARMA.org, Singapore’s power generation industry was highlighted as one of the few countries in the world that had made significant reductions in its carbon emission intensity. Between 2000 and 2007, the intensity was reduced by 30 per cent, making it the best reduction rate within the ASEAN region. This reduction was attributable in large measure to Senoko Power’s earlier Stage 1 Repowering programme which occurred in the early part of this period.

During the Stage 1 Repowering programme, which took place from 2000 to 2004, three oil-fired 120MW steam plants were successfully converted to three gas-fired 365MW CCPs.

Through this Stage 2 Repowering project, Senoko Power will be seeking emission reduction credits, also known as Certified Emissions Reductions (CERs), from the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) Executive Board. These credits can be traded internationally through the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM). One CER is equivalent to one tonne of carbon dioxide abated. The CDM allows companies and countries to mitigate global warming by implementing projects that result in measurable and long-term reductions in greenhouse gas emissions.

“With the Stage 2 Repowering programme in place, Senoko Power will be able to maintain its highly competitive and sustainable market position. In addition, industrial and commercial users as well as the general public will be able to enjoy the cost-effective, efficient and environmentally-friendly benefits of the programme,” said Mr Roy Adair, President & CEO of Senoko Power. He added that “in Singapore’s competitive electricity market Senoko Power had sought to differentiate itself from its competitors by pursuing a least cost generation capability founded upon environmental integrity. This approach has resulted in Senoko Power winning many awards including the SGP (Singapore Green Plan) 2012 award and Asian Power’s Environmental Power Plant of the Year (twice) while still competing effectively in the Singapore Electricity Market.

The plants are scheduled for full commercial operation by the end of 2011. Senoko Power intends to utilise the natural gas from its existing gas supply agreements and Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) from the storage and regasification facility that EMA is seeking to have in place by April 2012.

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About Marubeni Corporation

Marubeni Corporation was established in 1858 and is one of the leading general trading companies in Japan. Headquartered in Tokyo, Marubeni operates across 11 different industrial sectors in over 70 countries. Marubeni's wide range of businesses includes the following: Food; Lifestyle; Forest Products; Chemicals; Energy; Metals and Mineral Resources; Transportation Machinery; Power Projects and Infrastructure; Plant, Ship and Industrial Machinery; Real Estate Development and Financials, Logistics, Information Technology and Innovative Business.

Marubeni has posted record profits for the fifth consecutive fiscal year, with consolidated net income reaching ¥147.2 billion for the fiscal year 2007. While keeping its financial position stable, Marubeni has successfully achieved the expansion of business scope, sophistication and diversification of the trading firms' functions, and aggressive investment in strategic sectors in all segments.

Among various business sectors, Power Projects is identified as one of the core businesses of the company. Marubeni has a long history and experience as an IPP developer as well as an EPC Contractor and equipment supplier all over the world. Marubeni's net power generation investment globally is now 7,462MW after the successful acquisition of Senoko Power.

About GDF SUEZ

One of the leading energy providers in the world, GDF SUEZ is active across the entire energy value chain, in electricity and natural gas, upstream to downstream. It develops its businesses (energy, energy services and environment) around a responsible-growth model to take up the great challenges: responding to energy needs, ensuring the security of supply, fighting against climate change and maximizing the use of resources. GDF SUEZ relies on diversified supply sources as well as flexible and high-performance power generation in order to provide innovative energy solutions to individuals, cities and businesses. The Group employs 196,500 people worldwide and achieved revenues of €74.3 billion in 2007. GDF SUEZ is listed on the Brussels, Luxembourg and Paris stock exchanges and is represented in the main international indices: CAC 40, BEL 20, DJ Stoxx 50, DJ Euro Stoxx 50, Euronext 100, FTSE Eurotop 100, MSCI Europe and ASPI Eurozone.

About The Kansai Electric Power Co., Inc.

Kansai is the second largest electric utility company in Japan. Kansai owns and operates power plants, transmission system and distribution system. Kansai forms a vertically integrated company, with a net installed capacity of 34,864MW (excluding overseas generation assets) and supplies its generating electricity to over 13million retail customers in Kansai area, including famous cities, such as Kyoto, Osaka and Kobe.

About Kyushu Electric Power Co., Inc.

Kyushu Electric Power is the fourth largest electric power company in Japan. Kyushu operates 193 power generation facilities with a total capacity of 19,716MW (excluding overseas generation assets). As an integrated electric power company, it supplies electricity to 8.38million retail customers in its service area, which covers the island of Kyushu.

About Japan Bank for International Cooperation (JBIC)

JBIC was established in October 1999 by the Japanese Government. JBIC has a statutory mandate to undertake lending and other operations for: the promotion of Japanese exports, imports and economic activities overseas; the stability of international financial order; and economic and social development as well as economic stability in the developing economies. JBIC's mandate thereby contributes to the sound development of the Japanese economy as well as the international economy. JBIC operates under the principle that it will not compete with financial institutions in the private sector.

About Senoko Power Limited

Senoko Power is the largest power generation company in Singapore, providing over 30% of the nation's electricity needs. Senoko Power is the first power generation company in Singapore to import clean natural gas for power generation in 1992, to launch the first combined cycle plant in 1996 and to be certified the ISO 9000 in 1998, OHSAS 18001 in 2003 and ISO 14001 in 2004.

Senoko Power has a combined installed capacity of 3,300 megawatts (MW) comprising 1,945MW of combined cycle plants (CCPs), 1,250MW of thermal plants and 105MW of fast-start gas turbines. Senoko Power owns and operates Senoko Power Station and Pasir Panjang Gas Turbine Station.

About Senoko Energy Supply (SES)

Embracing the rapid deregulation and liberalisation of the Singapore electricity market, Senoko Power Ltd established its wholly-owned retail subsidiary, Senoko Energy Supply Pte Ltd., to retail electricity directly to major customers. SES obtained a Public Supply License from the Energy Market Authority (EMA) in February 2001 and is the first energy retail company to be certified ISO 9000 in 2002 and OHSAS 18001 & ISO 14001 in 2006. SES is one of the largest electricity retailers in the contestable market.

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