

Press Release



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AES Acquires Two 230 MW Petroleum Coke-Fired Power Plants in Mexico

Arlington, VA, February 12, 2007—The AES Corporation (NYSE: AES) today announced it has purchased two 230 MW petroleum coke-fired circulating fluidized bed (CFB) power generation facilities in Tamaúín, Mexico from subsidiaries of Exelon Corporation and ALSTOM. The total value of the transaction is approximately \$611 million including the acquisition of equity and subordinated debt totaled at \$190 million and the assumption of \$421 million in project debt.

The plants, Termoelectrica del Golfo (TEG) and Termoelectrica del Peñoles (TEP), are fully contracted facilities that supply power to two major Mexican industrial companies, CEMEX and Peñoles, respectively, under 20-year agreements in accordance with Mexican self-supply regulations. Both plants also secure petroleum coke from CEMEX under 20-year contracts. Constructed in 2004, the facilities utilize CFB technology, providing a cleaner way to burn petroleum coke compared to some other technologies. Petroleum coke is a by-product of petroleum refining and provides competitive fuel cost advantages relative to natural gas, the major fuel for power generation in Mexico.

“These assets fit well with AES given our expertise in operating CFB plants and skills at structuring complex international transactions,” said David Gee, President of AES’s North America region.

AES helped pioneer CFB technology in the US in the early 1990s. Today, it owns and operates five CFB plants in North America and one in Asia, all of which provide world-class reliability to their customers.

AES named Pete Convery as Plant Manager of TEG and TEP. Convery, who has been with AES since 1993, has 10 years experience managing CFB facilities, including AES Shady Point in Oklahoma and AES Warrior Run in Maryland. He will manage plant operations and will be supported initially by an interim on-site team of CFB technology experts assembled from other AES plants.

“Mexico has very high per capita income and is experiencing steady economic growth. The acquisition of these two plants enables AES to expand our strong platform in Mexico,” said Mark Woodruff, AES Vice President of North America Development.

AES has operated in Mexico since 2000, when it completed construction of the country's first independent power plant: AES Mérida III, a 484 MW natural gas and diesel-fired power plant.

In addition to TEG and TEP, AES's CFB facilities include AES Hawaii, AES Puerto Rico, AES Shady Point in Oklahoma, AES Thames in Connecticut, AES Warrior Run in Maryland and Aixi in China. AES also operates one petroleum coke-fired power plant, AES Deepwater, in Texas.

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