

<u>Técnicas Reunidas is awarded a sea water desalination plant in</u> Australia

Tecnicas Reunidas has been awarded the execution of the expansion of the Binningup Sea Water Desalination Plant in Western Australia, for the WATER CORPORATION, along with Valoriza Agua (a subsidiary of Sacyr Vallehermoso), AJ Lucas and Worley Parsons, forming the consortium "Southern Seawater Alliance". The consortium shares are: 38% for Tecnicas Reunidas, S.A., 38% for Valoriza Agua, and 19% and 5%, respectively for the two Australian partners.

The State Government of Western Australia has announced a \$450AUD million plan, circa 350 million Euros, to double the capacity of its desalination plant near Binningup to secure the future water needs of communities stretching from the Perth metropolitan area to the Goldfields. The expansion would begin delivering water into the Integrated Water Supply Scheme that supplies Perth, Mandurah, the Goldfields and other towns in the area by December 2012.

The first stage of the Binningup Desalination Plant has been completed by the same consortium over the last two and a half years at a cost of \$955AUD million, circa 750 million Euros, on time and under budget, and will be fully operational for 25 years beginning November 2011.

The expanded desalination plant, Southern Seawater Desalination Plant Stage 2, will provide a total 100 hm3 of drinking water per year.

The consortium will be responsible for the design, turnkey construction, operation and maintenance of the plant, including the water pipelines and other infrastructure needed to integrate the desalination plant with the Integrated Water Supply System.

The Water Corporation is a public company with more than 100 years of experience and 2.500 employees, owned by the Western Australian Government, and whose main activities are the management, supply, capture and treatment of water.

TR is one of the world-wide leading companies of engineering and construction projects in oil, gas, refining, petrochemical, power generation and infrastructure. The consortium has been awarded this project because of the special focus in its offer on environmental issues among eight groups of reference of the industry benchmark.