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## GDF SUEZ and Marubeni Corporation join forces on Shuweihat 2

GDF SUEZ has entered into an agreement with Marubeni Corporation ('Marubeni') who is taking a 20% participation in Shuweihat 2, a greenfield, natural gas-fired installation located in Abu Dhabi, that will deliver 1,500 MW of electricity and 454,610m<sup>3</sup>/day of water. GDF SUEZ is the original developer and now owns 20% of the project, Marubeni 20% and Abu Dhabi Water and Electricity Authority (ADWEA) the remaining 60%. Operation of the plant will be managed by a company jointly established between GDF SUEZ and Marubeni.

Marubeni is already a partner of GDF SUEZ in Senoko, Singapore's largest power company, which was acquired in September last year. Partnering with Marubeni gives the possibility to access additional export credit agencies financing options.

In January 2009, despite the difficult financing environment, GDF SUEZ and ADWEA successfully secured a 900 million USD Interim Bridge Loan Facility with Calyon, Natixis, Bayerische Landesbank, National Bank of Abu Dhabi, Standard Chartered Bank and KfW covering all the ongoing project costs.

With over 15 years of experience in the Gulf countries, GDF SUEZ is the leading private power developer with a direct equity interest in nearly 14,000 MW and more than 2.5 million m<sup>3</sup> of water per day of desalination capacity. The Group treats over 400,000 m<sup>3</sup> /day of recycled and reused water and offers engineering and waste management solutions.

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