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Annual Report 2011 Concession-type infrastructures

Abengoa boasts an impressive and young portfolio of proprietary assets under concession, all generating income through long-term take or pay contracts and power purchase agreements.

Key financial figures	2009	2010	2011	Var. 11-10 (%)
Sales (€ M)	219	308	427	38.6
Ebitda (M€)	143	208	299	43.8
Ebitda margin (%)	65.3	67.5	70.0	3.7
Key figures Power transmission	2009	2010	2011	Var. 11-10 (%)
Km constructed (km)	4,041	3,717	3,903	5.0
Average availability ratio (%)	99.67	99.10	99.50	0.4
Key figures Solar	2009	2010	2011	Var. 11-10 (%)
Plants in operation (MW)	43	193	443	130
Plants under construction (MW)	450	930	1,060	14
Plants in pre-construction / advanced development (MW)	0	380	150	-61
Production (MWh)	66,132.9	179,972.3	390,860.8	117
Key figures Desalination	2009	2010	2011	Var. 11-10 (%)
Installed capacity (ML)	215,000	315,000	375,000	19
Annual production (ML)	35,881	60,745	82,405	36
Key figures Cogeneration	2009	2010	2011	Var. 11-10 (%)
Installed electricity capacity (MWe)	70.56	70.56	70.56	0
Installed thermal capacity (MWt)	142.91	142.91	142.91	0
Annual electricity generation (MWh)	373,882.6	392,455.4	396,664.3	1.1
Annual thermal power generation (MWh)	262,451.3	279,451.6	285,922.9	2.3

# **Our business**

#### Transmission lines

When compared with electrical systems as a whole (generation, transmission and distribution), power transmission infrastructures account for only a small percentage of total costs, both in terms of the initial investment and subsequent operating and maintenance expenses. To provide an example, it is estimated that these infrastructures account for barely 14 % of total investment. They nevertheless remain a core element of the electricity system as a whole and promise much for the future.

There are essentially two prevailing trends worldwide:

- Countries in which private companies are not only tasked with the engineering, procurement and construction (EPC) of power transmission lines, but actually retain possession of the finished assets. This model is most commonly seen in emerging economies
- Countries in which private companies carry out solely the EPC on the lines, with the state retaining ownership of the assets. Despite being more typical of developed economies, this approach is in fact becoming more widespread and certain investment opportunities are beginning to materialize.

As a result, we are witnessing an increasing number of opportunities in power line concessions, and companies with a dominant international presence and proven track record in managing transmission assets, such as Abengoa, are now ideally positioned to tap the huge growth potential of this market.

Abengoa manages power transmission assets in Latin America in an efficient, effective and environmentally-friendly way and aspires to become an international leader in power transmission concessions that contribute towards sustainable development. At present, Abengoa has both public and private transmission line concessions in Peru, Chile and Brazil. Assets under management currently amount to 9,000 km, at various stages of maturity.

Tía María concession, Peru 220 kV transmission line and upgrades to the Montalvo substation as part of the Tía María project



Abengoa's standing as the largest international contractor in transmission and distribution systems affords it a crucial advantage in harnessing the wealth of opportunities to be had in power transmission concessions. As the company is vertically integrated and boasts an undisputed track record in power line engineering and construction, it is fully capable of tapping the huge opportunities that are currently emerging across the globe. Abengoa therefore expects to see sharp growth in this line of business for the following reasons:

- The model whereby private companies retain ownership of power transmission assets is not only prevalent in emerging economies, but is also offering specific opportunities in more developed regions.
- The growing demand for electrical power is generating more demand for infrastructure.
- The increasing presence of renewable generation in the global energy mix requires more solid and flexible transmission systems.
- The ever-widening gap between generation at one end of the spectrum and consumption at the other is demanding increasingly larger power transmission systems.

Abengoa attempts to integrate, throughout all business lines, the company's strategy in relation to stakeholder expectations, which is geared towards seeking out new customers and exploring technical solutions based on specific needs. To such end, the company offers a full range of one-stop services using its own resources, meaning that when compared with the competition Abengoa concessions pose less risk and greater credibility.

300 MW Santa Bárbara Trupán TL, Chile



The company's strategy in power transmission concessions can be summarized as follows:

- Maintaining its position of leadership in Latin America, a region that continues to offer huge growth potential. In addition, and as certain assets approach their final years of operation, agreements are often reached to rotate them, thus allowing for new investments to be made to ensure further growth.
- United States. Obsolete transmission systems, coupled with the huge distance between power generation on the one hand and end consumption on the other and the increasing weight of renewable energy within the energy mix, have all made the United States one of Abengoa's key targets for the coming years.
- Asia. The huge demand for electrical infrastructure within the region also makes it a top priority for the company

Solucar complex, Seville (Spain)



# Solar power

Abengoa offers solar-based electrical power generation technologies, which are more efficient than competing technologies, allowing the company to cut the cost of solar energy on the path to matching fossil fuel prices by 2020, after factoring in  $CO_2$  costs.

The company also constructs solar power plants with proprietary technology and then sells the resulting electrical power under concession agreements. Abengoa is therefore helping to meet the international objective of stemming environmental damage in the countries in which it operates.

Abengoa markets and sells electrical power while developing groundbreaking solar technologies within a global market offering huge growth potential. It also utilizes solar energy technologies to help combat climate change and push towards sustainable development.

In 2011, the electricity generation market experienced sharp growth worldwide, with a marked increase in the number of facilities and an improvement in the state of the art. The upshot of this is that solar energy remains a profitable, efficient and technically viable solution in both consolidated and emerging countries. Abengoa has also witnessed a sharp jump in the number of competitors, not only using solar energy sources but also other alternative energy sources.

Faced with this growing competition, Abengoa has been able to strengthen its leadership within the sector by offering the market a solution that fuses the benefits of conventional technologies (easy management, scalability, hybridization) with those of renewable energy sources (preventing tons of  ${\rm CO_2}$  emissions, use of clean and non-exhaustible energy sources).

Solar concessions at Abengoa are divided into the following lines of activity:

- Development of CSP and photovoltaic plants.
- Sale of power and plant operation.

Abengoa has power generation plants and offices in:

- Europe: Spain and Italy
- America: United States, Brazil, Mexico and Chile
- Africa: Morocco, Algeria and South Africa
- Asia: Abu Dhabi, China, India
- Oceania: Australia

Abengoa's solar business has acquired a wealth of experience along the different stages of the value chain for the CSP business. This vertical integration enables the company to harness synergies between development, operation and technology, such as designing optimal solutions, controlling and procuring key components and enhancing cost competitiveness.

PS10 and PS20, Seville (Spain)



Abengoa's experience in internationalization processes has enabled it to adapt to different regions with differing regulatory frameworks. This knowledge has been pivotal to its expansion into new markets with potential in concentrated solar or photovoltaic energy, enabling it to adapt more quickly than its competitors.

In 2012, Abengoa will continue to consolidate its leadership within the solar energy sector in which operates internationally with hugely efficient proprietary technology in both concentrating solar and photovoltaic energy. To achieve this, the company will rely on the following factors:

- Global presence, cementing its position in the United States and Spain while also expanding into new markets.
- Efficient operation and maintenance of CSP and photovoltaic plants, as well as construction oversight and start-up of new projects.
- Constant innovation in those technologies tagged as key. This will be achieved through the company's own teams and via agreements signed with leading R&D institutions.
- Risk control and efficient cash management.

#### Desalination

Spiraling climate change and growing urbanization mean that the world is now faced with a huge water supply problem. This challenge has two component parts to it. Firstly, water scarcity is reaching alarming levels and currently affects millions of people, all the more worrying when we bear in mind that the population is constantly growing. This water scarcity is further exacerbated by a shortage of suitable water treatment facilities, leading to health problems and effectively meaning that the water cannot be reused. Secondly, it is worth noting that the industrial sector is a major water consumer and depends heavily on this natural resource for the proper functioning of boilers, cooling towers and production processes, therefore making water of critical importance for ongoing business.

There are three different markets capable of tackling this water challenge:

- The desalination market, whereby salt is extracted from seawater or brackish water to render it fit for human consumption or use within the agricultural sector.
- The reuse market, enabling wastewater to be reused through disinfection processes and removal of suspended solids via filtration technologies.
- The industrial market, which has massive potential to meet the needs of the mining, oil and gas industries, as these require a huge volume of water to ensure the proper functioning of their facilities.

In these markets, Abengoa specializes in the promotion, development and exploitation of water treatment plants and membrane technology, and it means to consolidate its position as an international market leader in desalination plants, managing proprietary assets while expanding its water treatment and reuse business and industrial outsourcing. It invests in and manages its own assets, while promoting and developing new products and operating proprietary and third-party plants.

Abengoa operates its water business on four continents. In addition to its headquarters in Seville and Madrid, the company has offices in Harlingen and Austin (Texas, United States) and in Beijing (China), as well as the offices of concessionaire companies and projects in Algeria (Skikda, Ténès and Honaine), India (Chennai) and China (Qingdao).

The keys to the success and leadership of Abengoa include a budding water market experiencing constant growth, a team of professionals with a truly international outlook, a global desalination market and sufficient resources to finance its own operations.



Production facility at the Skikda desalination plant (Algeria)

The water business brings together an international team of workers who are fully committed to the company and possess in-depth knowledge of their market and of the associated technologies. Abengoa attaches great importance to training and professional performance as it helps to drive employees forward within the company.



Employees of the Qingdao concessionaire company (China)

One of the company's overarching aims has been to fence off and optimize concession projects and meet operational targets and expectations for the Skikda and Chennai plants. The company has cemented its leadership within the desalination market by securing a project in Ghana, thus further extending its geographical reach, and starting to operate the desalination plants in Honaine (Algeria) and Bajo Almanzora (Spain).

# Cogeneration and other concessions

Although the economic crisis is continuing to plague both Spain and international markets, cogeneration business in Spain promises further growth. Specifically, the Spanish Energy Efficiency Action Plan for 2011-2020 (Plan de Acción de Eficiencia Energética) approved in June 2011 envisages the following cogeneration objectives for Spain:

- 71 % growth in production between 2011-2020 so as to ensure that cogeneration accounts for 14 % of domestic demand in 2020.
- Increase in power from 6,704 MW to 10,455 MW.
- Investment of €5,970 M€ over the period.
- Major upgrades to bring existing cogeneration facilities (Renove plan) to 3,925 MW by 2020 (1,723 MW by 2016).

The main barrier to external investment in cogeneration projects is the widespread lack of financing brought on by the crisis, mirroring the situation seen in most other sectors. There are also two other barriers typically associated with cogeneration:

- Customer risk (host industry).
- The disappearance of GHG (greenhouse gas) emission rights from 2013 onward, as cogeneration facilities will only receive allowances on account of the thermal savings they generate.

Focusing on the Latin American market, it is very likely to witness an increase over the coming years in large cogeneration facilities attached to refineries or chemical plants (heavy energy consumers).

The main barriers preventing entry into countries such as Mexico, Brazil and Argentina include the absence of specific legislation to champion cogeneration technologies, a situation that will likely change given that these technologies allow for substantial energy savings, an absolute must in times of crisis.

Large private companies, which boast a range of different industrial assets, are starting to invest heavily in cogeneration systems under concession, whereby other companies are entrusted with the construction work and operation of cogeneration systems under long-term power supply agreements. This situation is of great interest to Abengoa, in that it can harness its extensive experience in managing cogeneration assets, primarily in Spain, to secure an important part of the international market.

At present, Abengoa has 647 MW of installed capacity at Spanish and Mexican cogeneration plants. Abengoa's mission in this area is therefore the optimal management of cogeneration assets in Spain and Latin America.

Abengoa's vision is to become an international benchmark on how to manage cogeneration concessions safely, reliably and efficiently.

Safety, reliability and efficiency are therefore the three key parameters. Safety to prevent harm or damage to people or equipment, reliability to ensure income, and efficiency to guarantee profit margins.

This area can be further broken down into two different lines of business:

- Generation of electrical power.
- Operation of smart buildings.

Abengoa currently operates cogeneration plants in Spain and Mexico, as well as other concessions such as smart buildings, dams and wind farms in Spain, Mexico, Uruguay and Brazil.

Growth is largely a product of ensuring maximum generation availability and prompt delivery of contracted services, such that if customers' needs increase, the company can extend its generation capacity or deliver more products accordingly, thus guaranteeing efficiency and sustainable processes.

Abengoa's asset base has afforded it considerable experience in asset management and provides the platform for business growth. When combined with Abengoa's proven EPC capacities, this clearly makes the company a key player in an excellent position from which to advance. The 300 MW Nuevo Pemex cogeneration plant in Mexico marks the first milestone in a new stage of business growth, which two years previously had been limited to the Spanish market. Abengoa therefore expects to see sharp growth in new markets as it looks to extend its inventory of cogeneration assets.

Abengoa's strategy in relation to cogeneration concessions is to harness the huge market potential currently emerging, relying on its extensive experience in managing these kinds of assets and on the company's vertical integration. The priority market for this line of business is Latin America, a region currently offering huge opportunities, chiefly through large private companies.

# 2011 in review

#### Transmission lines

Transmission assets are a core part of power infrastructure.

These infrastructures are becoming increasingly important given spiraling energy consumption, the widening gap between generation facilities and consumers, and the arrival of renewable power sources within the energy mix.

For many years Abengoa has been profiting from concessions of large power transmission systems, and this particular line of business is becoming increasingly important within the company.

The following projects have entered into operation this year:

- ATE IV line: 230 kV transmission line (TL) on the Canoinhas-São Mateus section brought online on 05/09/2011 and spanning 85 km.
- ATE VI line: Doña Francisca–Santa María TL section brought online on 17/08/2011. The 230 kV line spans 131 km.
- ATE VII line: second autotransformer at the Foz do Iguaçu Norte substation, which entered into service on 13/08/2011.

#### Peru

- ATN Carhuamayo-Cajamarca TL: the following sections of the line are now operating commercially:
  - Section I Carhuamayo-Paragsha TL, brought online in January 2011.
  - Section II Paragsha-Conococha and upgrades to the Cajamarca substation, commissioned in February 2011.
  - Section IV Kiman Ayllu-Cajamarca, commissioned in June 2011.
  - Section III Conococha-Kiman Ayllu, commissioned in December 2011.

Highlight projects for the year included the following:

- The most important milestone in 2011 for Abengoa's transmission line concessions division was the alliance forged with Cemig (Compañía de Energía de Minas Gerais) through its subsidiary company Taesa (Transmisora Alianza de Energía S.A.), in which each company now holds a 50 % stake in the STE, ATE, ATE II and ATE III concessions, all located in Brazil. In addition to generating considerable value, the agreement strengthens Abengoa's position in the Brazilian market and will help to drive growth in the region. The assets covered by the arrangement span a total of 2,518 km and have been operating for five years on average. Of this grand total, Abengoa will continue to manage 2,138 km through a joint venture with Cemig, thus enabling it to continue expanding its power line business in Brazil and other Latin American countries. Abengoa secured the corresponding contract from ANEEL (Brazilian National Electrical Energy Agency) and the assets were gradually entered into service between 2004 and 2008.
- Abengoa was awarded a contract to operate a new power transmission line in Brazil, specifically the 230 kV C3 Itacaíunas Carajás line in the state of Pará in the north of the country. The line, which runs parallel to another line in the same region managed by the company ATE III Transmissora de Energía, will meet industrial power demands in Carajás.
- In Peru, Abengoa successfully secured a contract for the ATN 2 Las Bambas-Cotaruse transmission line. The agreement extends the company's network of concessions in the country by a further 130 km for 18 years.



TL concession, Carhuamayo, Paragsha, Conococha, Huallanca, Cajamarca, Cerro Corona, Carhuaquero 220 kV TL Conococha – Kiman Ayllu L4 Norte – Arrival at the Cajamarca Norte substation, Peru

### Solar power

In 2011, Abengoa continued to showcase and consolidate its international leadership in the solar power sector, climbing to 443 MW in operation, 1,060 MW under construction and 150 in pre-construction or advanced development.

The main milestones in 2011 were as follows:

■ In Spain, the company commissioned the Helioenergy 1 and 2 facilities, two 50 MW parabolic-trough plants operating at the Ecija solar complex. E.On and Abengoa hold equal 50 % stakes in the venture.

In addition, the two power tower plants (PS10 and PS20) are currently operating at full efficiency, as are the three parabolic trough plants (Solnova 1, Solnova 3 and Solnova 4) and the five photovoltaic plants (Sevilla PV, Casaquemada, Las Cabezas, Copero and Linares). As the facilities have been in service for over a year, Abengoa has been able to make a number of procedural and operational improvements, which are being incorporated into the new solar platforms.

Also in 2011, construction continued on a further eight 50 MW facilities.

- In the United States, considerable progress has been made on the 280 MW Solana plant in Arizona, one of the world's largest solar facility. In addition, the newer 280 MW Mojave solar plant received a federal loan guarantee from the US government, enabling the company to secure financing for the project and commence construction.
- In other regions, the 150 MW integrated solar combined cycle (ISCC) facility in Algeria was successfully commissioned, while construction continued on the 100 MW Shams-1 plant in Abu Dhabi. In addition, a 14 MW solar field is currently under construction for a 480 MW hybrid electrical power plant in Aguas Prietas (Mexico), which will feature Abengoa technology.
- The South African Department of Energy selected Abengoa to carry out two projects: a 100 MW parabolic-trough plant and a 50 MW power tower plant utilizing superheated steam.

Shams-1 (Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates)



On a final note, Abengoa continues to be involved in the Desertec Industrial Initiative, which seeks to promote a stable framework for developing renewable energies in desert areas of North Africa and the Middle East for local consumption and exports to Europe.

# Bajo Almanzora desalination plant (Almeria)



Signing of the water purchase agreement for the future Nungua desalination plant (Ghana)

Signing of the collaboration agreement with Dalian authorities (China)

#### Desalination

Abengoa currently has five projects under concession. The desalination plants in Skikda (Algeria) and Chennai (India), both with a treatment capacity of 100,000 m<sup>3</sup>/day and in operation and under maintenance since the end of 2009 and middle of 2010, respectively, are continuing to match expected performance output. The company has been able to use the experience gained from these two projects under concession to improve its R&D&I programs and its other plants under development.

August witnessed partial acceptance of the component units for the Honaine desalination plant, boasting a capacity of 200,000 m³/day and awarded by the public company Algerian Energy Company (AEC). This marks a major milestone in the project, as it demonstrates the plant's capacity to generate the committed volume of water in terms of both quantity and quality. In addition, the company initiated the process leading to final acceptance of the entire plant and commencement of the operation and maintenance phase, both scheduled for mid-2012.

In Spain, the Bajo Almanzora desalination plant in Almeria was unveiled at the start of September. The facility has a treatment design capacity of 60.000 m<sup>3</sup>/day. It is the third plant that the company currently operates in Spain, alongside Almeria (50,000 m³/day) and Cartagena (65,000 m³/day).

In Africa, Abengoa has signed a contract with the public water utility Ghana Water Company Limited (GWCL) to construct a 60,000 m³/day capacity seawater desalination plant in Nungua. The facility will be constructed under a DBOO(T) contract (Design, Build, Own, Operate and maintenance for 25 years, plus possible Transfer). The proposed desalination plant marks a major step forward on the path to improving hydro installations for the supply of drinking water in Ghana, a country experiencing sharp growth in population. The capital city, Accra, which has a population of roughly three million, is finding it difficult to cope with the demand of surrounding towns and villages. The new facility will help to supply water to nearby towns and cities such as Teshie Nungua and Tema. The project has been welcomed by both the Ghanaian authorities and the local population seeing as though it is the first desalination plant in the country and in West Africa as a whole. It has also attracted considerable attention from investors, particularly from the Japanese investment firm Sojitz, with whom Abengoa signed a shareholders' agreement at the end of September to formalize its equity stake in the venture.

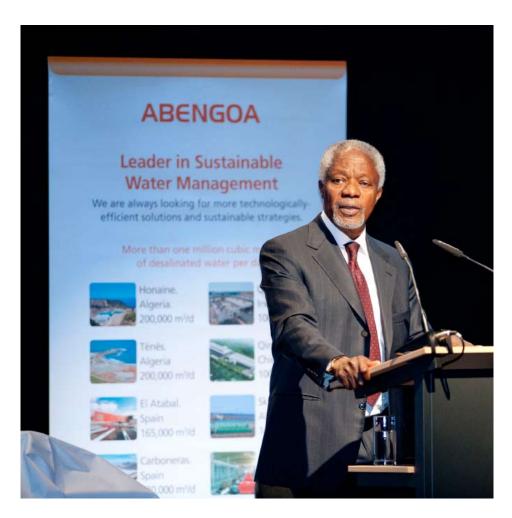


In June, Abengoa signed an agreement with the local Dalian authorities for the joint development on Changxing Island (China) of a desalination program to supply water to the local industries and urban hubs envisaged in the development plan for Dalian Changxing Island (DCI). The project will bring a total capacity of 800,000 m³/day to the area for the coming 10 years. Also Abengoa has reached an agreement with the company Hitachi to develop phase one of the project.

Abengoa completed the design and construction in July of the Donna facility in Hidalgo County (Texas). The contract for the plant, with can treat up to 7,500 m³/day, was awarded by the state's largest water supply utility, North Alamo Water Supply, and has been completed within budget and several months ahead of schedule. The operation and maintenance of the plant, which was formalized through a separate agreement, got under way in December.

In April, the company sponsored the Global Water Awards gala dinner, organized by Global Water Intelligence, a leading analyst of the international water market. Many big names attended the event, including the former Secretary-General of the UN, Kofi Annan, who handed out the awards to the winning companies, projects and technologies for the year.

Abengoa sponsored the Global Water Awards in Berlin



Abengoa participated in the IDA World Congress 2011 in Perth (Australia). The biannual congress, which took place in September, was organized by the International Desalination Association, an internationally recognized body within the desalination sector. Under the motto "Sustainable solutions for a thirsty planet", the event brought together over 900 delegates from 60 countries to discuss technical concerns and share knowledge and experience.



Abengoa at the IDA World Congress 2011 held in September in Perth (Australia)

## Cogeneration and other concessions

Cogeneration technologies generate electricity and high-temperature heat in tandem for use in industrial processes; an energy-efficient solution being spearheaded by Abengoa.

Heat and electricity are generated from biomass, natural gas or industrial waste for subsequent use in industrial processes, with the surplus sold to the grid.

Abengoa currently has various cogeneration plants:

- Cogeneración Villaricos, S.A. (Covisa), Enernova Ayamonte, S.A. (Enernova) and Aprovechamientos Energéticos Furesa, S.A. (Aprofursa). These three companies generate electrical power while using the resulting heat to produce water or steam. The electricity is then sold, while the heat is used by the host factory.
- Procesos Ecológicos Vilches: company specializing in the recycling of livestock waste to produce fertilizer and electrical power through a slurry treatment plant (pig waste, mixed excrement, urine, water, leftover animal feed and other foreign bodies), combined with a electrical power cogeneration plant.

Procesos Ecológicos Vilches cogeneration plant



Nuevo Pemex: 300 MW plant to be constructed at the facilities of Petróleos Mexicanos (Pemex), the first to be integrated into one of its existing refineries. The power plant is capable of generating electricity and thermal energy through two gas turbine generators with their respective electric generators, and two heat recovery steam generators.

Abengoa also manages a number of other concessions:

- Centro Cultural Mexiquense (cultural center). The complex sits on 17 ha of land and boasts 35,000 m² of museums, libraries, workshop modules with over 60 classrooms intended for a range of different art-related subjects, an administrative building, auditoriums, an open-air theater, a concert hall with seating for 1,200 people, a cafeteria, a restaurant and parking for over 1,000 vehicles.
- Irrigation zone of the Navarra Canal. The intention with this concession is to recover investment by levying an irrigation charge.
- Cerrato hydroelectric power plant on the river Pisuerga and mini-stations along the Aragon and Catalonia irrigation canal. Foot-of-dam, run-of-river and diversion plants in northern Spain. Investment here is recovered by selling the electricity generated by the plants.
- Hospitals: operation of parking facilities at the Costa del Sol hospital (Malaga), with Abengoa having already completed construction of the hospital building. The complex is a further example of the company's concessions in operation, which also include the Tajo hospital in Aranjuez (Madrid).
- The company also operates three courthouses in Catalonia: the courthouse of Olot in the province of Gerona and the courthouses of Cerdañola and Santa Coloma in the province of Barcelona.

The following major milestones were reached in 2011:

- All generation systems at Abengoa's Campus Palmas Altas headquarters in Seville were in full operation in 2011. These systems are:
  - A trigeneration system (CCHP) comprising a 1 MW gas-powered engine-generator, an absorption chiller, a heat exchanger and hot water accumulator tanks, capable of generating electrical and thermal power and cooling.
  - A 100 kWth parabolic-trough system, also featuring an accumulator tank, absorption chiller and pumping system, which produces cold water from solar power.
  - Photovoltaic plants integrated by means of pergolas forming part of the campus' architecture, with an installed capacity of 152.5 kWp.
  - A 10 kW high-concentration photovoltaic panel with dual axis tracking, featuring state-of-the-art solar modules and three single-phase inverters. The electrical power generated by this panel is passed through an electrolyzer to produce hydrogen during the day. This is then used by a 1.2 kW fuel cell to generate electrical power at night, thus powering part of the indoor lighting system of the campus.
- Further inroads into the wind power sector after the Uruguayan National Authority for Power Generation and Transmission (UTE) awarded Abengoa a contract to construct and exploit the 50 MW Peralta wind farm in Uruguay.
- Also within the wind sector, Abengoa took part in an auction staged by Aneel (National Electrical Energy Agency) in Brazil and came away with contracts for three future wind farms to be built in the state of Ceará, Brazil, as part of the Trairí II wind complex, which will boast a total installed capacity of 96.6 MW.
- Abengoa awarded a 25-year contract to supply drinking water, with the project including not only the engineering and construction, but also operation, repair and maintenance of the El Zapotillo-Los Altos de Jalisco-León aqueduct in Guanajuato, Mexico.
- Unveiling of the Centro Cultural Mexiquense de Oriente (CCMO) cultural center, Abengoa's first concession in Mexico. The building, which is a huge boon for the eastern metropolitan area of Mexico City, was constructed in just 18 months and will now be operated over a 20-year term before finally being handed back to the IMC (Mexican Institute of Culture).



Concecutex
Outside view of the Centro
Cultural Mexiquense de Oriente
cultural centre (Mexico)

Work is continuing on the 300 MW cogeneration plant in Tabasco (Mexico), which will be built at the existing facilities of the state-owned company Petróleos Mexicanos (Pemex). The project includes operation and maintenance for a 20-year term. The new facility will be able to generate up to 800 t/h of steam to supply electricity to the Nuevo Pemex Gas Processing Complex in Tabasco, and will feed surplus power to the Mexican power grid.

# **Our activities**

#### Transmission lines

Abengoa currently has 9,002 km of transmission lines under concession in Brazil, Chile and Peru, with an average remaining life of 23 years, specifically:

- Brazil: 6,696 km of lines under concession.
- Peru: 2,001 km of lines under concession.
- Chile: 305 km of lines under concession.

The company also expects to commission the following lines in the coming years:

- In 2012: Brazil Manaus and Línea Verde lines, spanning a total of 586 and 987 km, respectively.
- In 2013: Brazil North Brazil line. This line is set to become the world's longest DC (direct current) transmission line at 2,375 km. Plus the ATS line in Peru, measuring 872 km.

Detailed below are Abengoa's main concessions by region:

#### Brazil

Abengoa remains a prominent player in the Brazilian power transmission market. It currently possesses over 6,000 km of transmission lines under concession from public bodies (accounting for roughly 8 % of the national basic power grid).

The following projects are currently in operation:

- STE Sur Transmisora de Energía. Transmission line spanning 386 km awarded by Aneel.
  - 500 kV Uruguaiana-Maçambará section.
  - 230 kV Maçambará-Santo Ângelo section.
  - 230 kV Santo Ângelo-Santa Rosa section.

STE controls the line, which has been in operation since 2004 and traverses 13 municipalities within the state of Río Grando do Sul.

■ ATE Transmisora de Energía. 525 kV Londrina (SC)-Assis (SP)-Araraquara (SP) power line, covering a total distance of 370 km.

The transmission line (TL) comprises the 525 kV Londrina-Assis section between the Londrina substation, located in the municipality of Londrina (state of Pará), and the Assis substation, located in the municipality of Assis (state of São Paulo), measuring approximately 120 km; and also the 525 kV Assis – Araraquara TL between the Assis substation and the Araraquara substation, located in the municipality of Araraquara (also in the state of São Paulo), measuring roughly 250 km.

The underlying reasons for the project, which will be carried out by upgrading existing power transmission systems in the southern and southeastern regions, are as follows:

- To enable surplus power to be transferred between the southern and southeastern regions, particularly within the metropolitan area of São Paulo and the region of Londrina.
- To upgrade existing infrastructure within the southern/southeastern regions to enable them to receive up to 3,000 MW of electrical power.
- To upgrade power exchange capacity to 2,500 MW between the north-northeast and south-southeast-central-west systems.
- To interconnect the various hydrographic basins in Brazil.
- To help increase the reliability, security and stability of the Brazilian electrical system.
- To bring about an effective average increase of 900 MW in the guaranteed power provided by the Brazilian electrical system.
- **ATE II Transmisora de Energía.** Colinas-Ribeiro Gonçalves-São João do Piauí-Sobradinho TL, covering a total distance of 937 km.

This TL was awarded as a public concession for the operation and exploitation of electrical power and includes the construction of basic grid transmission installations within the electrical system for Aneel. The line consists of 500 kV installations between Colinas and Sobradinho, starting from the Colinas substation in Tocantins state and extending to the Ribeiro Gonçalves substation in Piauí state, spanning a total of 374 km; a second section measuring 353 km and linking the Ribeiro Gonçalves substation to the São João do Piauí substation, also in Piauí state; and finishing with the TL between the São João do Piauí substation and the Sobradinho substation in Bahia state, spanning a further 210 km. The line became operational in 2006 and the concession is to run for 30 years.

ATE II Towers along the 500 kV ATE II Ribeiro Gonçalves (Piauí)-São João do Piauí TL, Brazil



- **ATE III Transmisora de Energía.** ATE III, measuring 459 km, comprises the following TLs and substations:
  - Itacaiúnas Colinas at 500 kV.
  - Itacaiúnas Carajás at 230 kV.
  - Itacaiúnas Marabá at 500 kV.

The company was created to exploit and operate public concessions for the transmission of electrical power, encompassing the construction, implementation, operation and maintenance of basic grid transmission installations within the Brazilian interconnected electrical system. Abengoa was awarded the contract to construct and subsequently operate and maintain the Norte-Sur III 500 kV and 230 kV TLs and substations for a term of 30 years.

ATE III 230 kV transmission line crossing the river Araguaia (Brazil)



- ATE IV São Mateus Transmisora de Energía. Aneel awarded Abengoa a contract for the construction and 30-year operation and maintenance of the following four TLs and substations:
  - Bateias Curitiba TL at 525 kV.
  - Canoinhas São Mateus TL at 230 kV.

ATE IV
Bateias substation - lines
arriving from the Curitiba
substation, Brazil.

Construction of this 85 km transmission line was essential for the power system of the metropolitan area of Curitiba, capital of Pará state, due to the huge local population and the heavy presence of industry within the region.



#### ATE V – Londrina Transmisora de Energía

Concession dedicated to exploit and operate public concessions for the transmission of electrical power, encompassing the construction, implementation, operation and maintenance of basic grid transmission installations within the Brazilian interconnected electrical system. Abengoa holds the concession to construct and subsequently operate and maintain the 230 kV TLs and substations for a 30-year term.

ATE V, spanning a total of 132 km, comprises the following sections:

- 230 kV Londrina Maringá TL, located in the state of Pará and measuring 88 km.
- Jaguaraíva Itararé TL, also 230 kV, located in the states of Pará and São Paulo and spanning a total distance of 44 km.

#### ATE VI – Campos Novos Transmisora de Energía

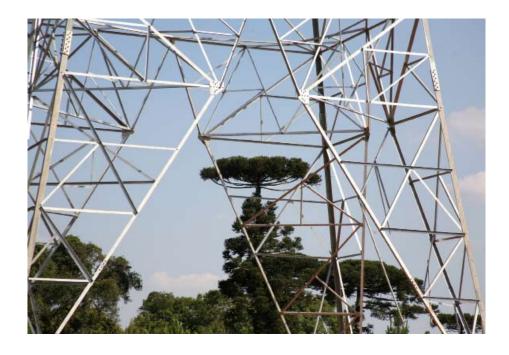
The concession from Aneel envisages the construction and 30-year operation and maintenance of the 230 kV TL and substations. This line upgrades the central electricity grid of the states of Santa Catarina and Rio Grande do Sul to boost economic growth within the region.

The TL covers a total distance of 131 km, and is divided into two sections: Campos Novos – Videira and Doña Francisca-Santa Maria.

- The 230 kV Campos Novos Videira TL, located in the state of Santa Catarina and covering 68 km;
- and the Doña Francisca-Santa Maria TL, located in the state of Rio Grande do Sul, also 230 kV and spanning 63 km.



Transmission tower for the 230 kV ATE VI Londrona – Maringa line, Brazil



ATE VI Transmission tower for the ATE VI Campos Novos-Videira line (Brazil)

#### ATE VII – Foz do Iguaçu Transmisora de Energía

The company was awarded the construction and 30-year operation and maintenance of the 230 kV Cascavel Oeste-Foz do Iguaçu TL and substations.

ATE VII comprises the 115 km Cascavel Oeste-Foz do Iguaçu TL and two substations, located in the state of Pará.



Carhuamayo-Cajamarca ATN TL concession (Peru)

#### Peru

Despite having been general elections in Peru in 2011 and a complicated international climate, Abengoa continued to report growth in all lines of business, particularly in the power transmission lines market.

In 2011, the company focused its attention on the following activities:

- Starting the operation and maintenance of the first sections of the Carhuamayo-Cajamarca TL (ATN).
- Consolidate the skilled workforce of the concessionaire company.
- Managing the corresponding easement and approving the environmental impact study for the proposed Chilca-Marcona TL (ATS).

Abengoa concessions can be broken down into the following two categories:

#### **Public concessions**

■ **ATN**: construction of the high-voltage 220 kV Carhuamayo-Cajamarca line and associated substations. The project envisages the design, supply and construction of the entire electrical system and operation and maintenance for a 30-year term.

The project involves 570 km of 220 kV line, two new substations and upgrades to five existing substations. The new infrastructure traverses the Peruvian mountains at an average elevation of 3,000 m above sea level, climbing to a maximum of 5,000 m. The project will benefit the northern reaches of Peru, specifically the provinces of Cerro de Pasco, Huanuco, Ancash, La Libertad and Cajamarca.



L3 – TL concession, Carhuamayo, Paragsha, Conococha, Huallanca, Cajamarca, Cerro Corona, Carhuaquero 220 kV TL Conococha-Kiman Ayllu – L3 cable stringing process (Peru)

In 2011, the following sections of the line were brought into commercial service:

- Section I Carhuamayo-Paragsha TL: January 2011.
- Section II Paragsha-Conococha and upgrades to the Cajamarca substation: February 2011.
- Section IV Kiman Ayllu-Cajamarca: June 2011.
- Section III Conococha-Kiman Ayllu: December 2011
- ATS: construction of the 500 kV Chilca-Marcona-Ocoña-Montalvo TL and associated substations, including the installation of two series compensation capacitors at the Ocoña substation. The project involves the design, supply and construction of the entire electrical system and operation and maintenance for a 30-year term, and comprises 872 km of 500 kV line and 28.5 km of 220 kV line, three new substations and upgrades to three existing substations. The resulting system has a transmission rating of 800 MW and 1,200 MVA of transformer power.

In 2011, the company continued to carry out the engineering work and preliminary studies, to seek licenses and permits, including formalities relating to the easement, and to conduct scoping and environmental impact studies to be able to commence construction. Assuming contractual timeframes are met, the project will be brought into commercial service in July of 2013.

#### **Private concessions**

■ ATN 1: construction of the 220 kV Paragsha-Francoise TL and upgrades to the Paragsha II and Nueva Francoise substations, including operation and maintenance for a 30-year term. The project embraces engineering work, studies, procurement and construction in relation to the roughly 55 km of high-voltage line, which will be strung at between 4,200 and 4,500 m above sea level within a timeframe of 540 days.

The corresponding contract was awarded in October 2010 and since then the engineering work and preliminary studies have been completed and the main supplies procured. As the public authorities (Ministry of Energy and Mines of Peru) have been late in approving the environmental impact study, there has been a delay in obtaining the necessary permits and licenses. Negotiations are therefore under way with the customer to extend the estimated term for completion by six months. The project is expected to enter commercial service in November of 2012.

■ **ATN 2:** this project involves the construction of the 220 kV Las Bambas-Cotaruse overhead line, as well as the 18-year operation and maintenance. The contract includes the engineering and study, procurement and construction of the roughly 130 km-long HV line within a timeframe of 780 days.

The concession was initially arranged through a memorandum of understanding signed in May 2011 and the parties are now negotiating the binding contracts. The project is expected to enter commercial service in July of 2013.

On a final note, and as a result of the forecast market growth for the region, there are a number of mining projects that are currently being explored or for which the relevant permits are being sought. These mines require a one-stop resolution to their long-term electrical power needs and given the experience that Abengoa has gained from the ATN and ATS projects and the synergies that can be created, the company intends to prepare and present one-stop solutions to satisfy the needs of these mining customers.

#### Chile

Abengoa is a key player within the Chilean electricity market and the company expects to report high growth from its projected investments for the coming years.

In energy, Chile has a vulnerable power transmission system that must be expanded to meet the needs and growth of the country. The aim is, in fact, to double Chile's electricity generation capacity by the end of this decade, which would effectively mean installing over 8,000 MW of capacity from now until 2020.

Options on the table include interconnecting the north and central trunk systems, installing a second trunk transmission system, or constructing direct current lines to transport energy from the far south of the country to central Chile.

Shot of the Santa Bárbara Trupán TL at dusk (Chile) Investments in mining and electrical power projects are also of huge importance for the coming five years, and the company therefore expects an auspicious climate for order intake.



Abengoa operates in Chile the following projects under concession:

- 1x220 kV Crucero El Abra line: this 1995 concession comprises a 101 km power line that transmits 100 MW and which is currently in full operation.
- 2x220 kV Santa Bárbara Trupán line: this 1994 concession consists of a 54 km double-circuit power line that transmits 300 MW and which is currently in full operation in southern Chile.
- 2x220 kV Ralco Charrúa line: this concession, awarded in 2001, comprises a 140 km double-circuit power line that transmits 600 MW. The line is used to evacuate the power generated by the Ralco plant.
- 15, 66 and 220 kV Palmucho plant lines, Zona de Caída substation: this 2005 concession comprises a transformer substation and 10 km of 23 kV line, which transmits 32 MW to the Central Interconnected System.

All maintenance work on the infrastructure described above is carried out by Abengoa workers and the company duly meets all the availability ratios required by the different systems.

### Solar power

Concessions at Abengoa are divided into the following lines of activity:

- Development of CSP and photovoltaic power plants: this includes prospecting ideal locations for solar plants, carrying out the necessary administrative formalities to commence construction, negotiating project financing and construction agreements and, when needed, identifying potential partners and reaching agreements with them. In addition, Abengoa provides support during the engineering and turnkey construction of the plants.
- Sale of power and plant operation: the solar power plants developed by Abengoa sell their electricity under long-term concessional agreements, meaning the optimum operation and maintenance of these facilities is key to future growth.

Solucar complex (Seville, Spain)



Abengoa's portfolio of plants is classified according to the degree of maturity of development.

There are four project phases, which are typically classified as follows:

- Development: this chiefly includes site selection, securing of land and assessment of the solar resource; administrative formalities and obtaining licenses, permits and authorizations; ensuring the plant is connected to the grid and arranging the connection infrastructure.
- Pre-construction/early stage: this phase includes the steps required to secure project financing for those plants which, as well as having land rights, permits, authorizations and licenses, also meet the relevant requirements entitling them to receive certain revenues (registration of the project in the pre-allocation register, or signing of energy purchase agreements, such as with local electricity utilities in the case of the United States). In this stage, construction activities are started
- Construction: start of construction work on the facilities, oversight of engineering and construction work and processing of the relevant permits, as well as support in starting up the facilities.
- Operation: this includes taking control of the plant following construction; the evacuation and sale of electrical power; and the operation, maintenance and exploitation of the plants.

#### Plants in operation

At the close of 2011, Abengoa held a total of 443 MW in operation. Over the course of 2011, the company gained further experience in operating the two main CSP technologies: power tower and parabolic-trough technologies.

Abengoa has improved its tower technology capabilities thanks to its four-plus years of experience in operating the PS10 plant, the world's first commercial tower plant, and two-plus years of experience operating the PS20 plant with excellent results.

Focusing on parabolic-trough technology, the start-up of Helioenergy 1 and 2 at the Ecija solar complex has brought the company's total portfolio to 250 MW in operation of this thermal power technology, complementing the three 50 MW plants at the Solucar complex, namely Solnova 1, 3 and 4.

In addition, the 150 MW Hassi R'Mel (Algeria) combined cycle power plant with solar field was brought online in 2011.

In photovoltaics, Abengoa is gaining experience from the 12 MW it currently has in operation, which are proving to be of immense value in the development of new technologies.

Each plant has its own characteristics and benefits, as described in further detail as follows

#### Solucar Complex

#### PS10

After successfully undergoing operational testing, PS10 was commissioned in June 2007 to become the world's first commercial plant utilizing power tower technology. Located at the Solucar complex, the plant has an installed capacity of 11 MW and generates enough clean energy to satisfy the power needs of 5,500 households, while slashing annual CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 6,700 t.

PS10 was the first CSP plant to feature a storage system, enabling it to continue generating electricity for roughly an hour so that it can still produce power during cloudy spells or at the end of the day when solar radiation is insufficient.

Since its start-up, PS10 has matched expected performance levels and helped to prove the viability of tower technology on a commercial scale.



Solucar complex (Seville, Spain)

#### PS20

PS20, which was commissioned back in February 2009, was only the second of its kind and the world's largest power tower plant in operation at the time. The facility, which forms part of the Solucar complex, has an installed capacity of 20 MW and generates enough electricity to power 10,000 households, while curbing annual  $\rm CO_2$  emissions by 12,100 t.

PS20 features a number of important technological advances, all developed by Abengoa, over the world's first commercial power tower plant, PS10. These include a more efficient receiver and a raft of improvements to the control and operation systems and also the thermal energy storage system.

The technological improvements incorporated into the second plant, which have led to huge improvements in power tower technology, meant the plant successfully passed production testing with results comfortably outstripping predicted results, a pattern that has been validated over the nearly two years of operation of the plant.

This second plant comprises a solar field of over 1,255 heliostats designed by Abengoa, all of which focus solar radiation on a receiver located at the top of a 165 m tower.

#### Solnova 1, Solnova 3 and Solnova 4

Each of the three 50 MW plants generates enough electricity to power 25,700 homes while cutting annual  $CO_2$  emissions by approximately 31,400 t. The three plants started operating commercially in 2010.

After over a year in operation with exceptional results, they have more than proved their worth to the company and provide the basic blueprint for future plants currently under construction in Spain, the United States and Abu Dhabi.

These three facilities are the first of Abengoa to employ parabolic-trough technology and the first three of those included on the Spanish pre-assignment register to enter into operation.

#### Ecija solar complexi

#### Helioenergy 1 and 2<sup>1</sup>

The 50 MW Helioenergy 1 facility at the Ecija solar complex was commissioned in 2011, developed jointly by E.On and Abengoa, together with the 50 MW Helioenergy 2.

The plants mark a major milestone for both companies and underscore the commitment of both to developing solar power.

With over 88.000 employees, E.On is one of the major gas and electric companies.

It is the first complex to be started up by Abengoa with the involvement of an industrial partner. When both plants become fully operational, they will generate enough solar energy to power 104,000 households and help to curb annual  ${\rm CO_2}$  emissions by 126,000 t.

Helioenergy 1 and 2 in Ecija (Seville, Spain)





SPP-1 (Hassi R'Mel, Algeria)

#### Hybrid integrated solar combined cycle (ISCC) plant in Algeria

The 150 MW facility, located in Hassi R'Mel, Algeria, comprises a combined cycle plant with 180,000 m<sup>2</sup> of useful reflective area equivalent to 25 MW of thermal power.

Abengoa commissioned the project in 2011 alongside New Energy Algeria.

#### **PV Plants**

#### Seville PV

With an installed capacity of 1.2 MW, Seville PV was the world's first commercial plant to employ low-concentration photovoltaic technology. It has 154 solar trackers on a plot of land occupying 12 hectares as part of the Solucar complex in Sanlúcar la Mayor.

<sup>1</sup> Helioenergy 2 has been effectively included in the Spanish government's "Registro Administrativo de Instalaciones de Producción en Régimen Especial" (concessional type payments) after the closing of 2011. The effects of the registry started on the 1st of January 2012.

The plant can supply clean energy to some 650 households, while curbing yearly  $CO_2$  emissions by over 1,800 t.

#### Copero PV

A 1 MW photovoltaic facility built on the grounds of the wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) that Emasesa operates at the El Copero site in Seville. Emasesa and Abengoa are joint 50 % owners of the plant.

#### Las Cabezas PV

A 5.7 MW photovoltaic plant with single-axis trackers located in an area of high solar radiation in the province of Seville.

#### Linares PV

A 1.9 MW photovoltaic plant with a dual axis tracking system located in Linares (Jaén). The area measures one of the highestin solar radiation in Andalucía.

#### Casaquemada PV

A 1.9 MW plant employing dual-axis photovoltaic tracking technology situated at the Solucar complex. The facility includes a 100 kW high-concentration installation featuring state-of-the-art technology.

Casaquemada PV (Seville, Spain)



#### Plants under construction

Abengoa has solar thermal power plants currently under construction in Spain, the United States and Abu Dhabi for a combined total installed capacity of 1,060 MW, in many cases in alliance with strategic partners.

In the United States, work is in progress on the Solana and Mojave plants, each with 280 MW of installed capacity.

In Spain, the company is currently constructing six 50 MW CSP plants; two on the El Carpio solar complex, two on the Extremadura solar complex and two on the Castilla-La Mancha solar complex.

In Abu Dhabi, work is continuing on the 100 MW Shams-1 plant.

#### El Carpio solar complex

In order to build and operate the two 50 MW parabolic-trough plants, Abengoa struck up an alliance with JGC, with Abengoa holding a 74 % stake in the venture.

Founded back in 1928, JGC Corporation has remained a leading engineering firm ever since. It currently offers a broad range of services in planning, design, engineering, construction and delivery of power, with a proven track record in more than 20,000 projects in over 70 countries worldwide.

Solacor 1 and 2 in El Carpio (Cordoba, Spain) Construction of both plants got under way in the summer of 2010 and is progressing well, with the facility scheduled to be commissioned during the first half of 2012.





Solaben 2 and 3 in Logrosán (Caceres, Spain)



Helios 1 and 2 (Ciudad Real, Spain)

Solana (Gila Bend, Arizona, United States

#### Extremadura solar complex

Abengoa and Itochu Corporation forged an alliance to construct two 50 MW CSP plants (Solaben 2 and Solaben 3) in Logrosan (Caceres). The company, which operates both plants, will retain control of the projects with a 70 % stake, while Itochu will own the remaining 30 %.

With approximately 150 offices in 74 countries, Itochu is a leading Japanese trading company operating commercially in the Japanese market, and also in imports and exports and international trade. It offers a wide range of products and services, including textiles, machinery, information and communication technologies, aeronautics, electronic goods, energy, metals, minerals, chemicals, forestry products, financing, real estate, insurance and logistical services.

Construction of both plants is advancing well and remains on schedule, with commercial operation expected to commence in 2012.

Other two plants (Solabén 1 and 6), listed in the pre-assignment register of the Spanish government, have obtained all permits required, having starded initial constuction activities such as earthwork and land elevation work. Arrangements for the supply of the main equipment have already been made and financing for the project is now in an advanced stage.

#### Castilla-La Mancha solar complex

Abengoa is building two 50 MW CSP power plants in the province of Ciudad Real (Castilla-La Mancha), both equipped with parabolic trough technology. Project financing was secured in 2011 and construction is now well under way, according to scheduled commissioning. Start-up of commercial operation is expected in 2012.

#### Solana

Solana, located 70 km southwest of Phoenix, Arizona, is one of the world's largest CSP plants under construction, and will boast 280 MW of gross installed capacity (250 MW net) through cutting-edge parabolic-trough technology. Solana will generate enough energy to power 70,000 US households, while cutting yearly  $\rm CO_2$  emissions by 475,000 t. The resulting power will be sold to APS, the largest electric utility in the state of Arizona, through a 25-year power purchase agreement.

Solana will include six hours of storage through molten salt technology, enabling it to store energy during cloudy spells and after sunset. This storage capacity will allow Solana to generate enough electricity to meet peak evening demand during the Arizona summertime.



At year-end 2011, work on the plant was under way and progressing well, having started the installation of the troughs.

The construction and operation of Solana will bring with it huge benefits, including the creation of between 1,600 and 1,700 jobs during construction and 85 permanent positions for the plant's operation and maintenance.

#### Mojave

This project stemmed from the signing of a contract with Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E) to supply the electricity to be generated at the new Mojave Solar plant, boasting a gross capacity of 280 MW. The facility will be located 150 km northeast of Los Angeles and will create about 1,600 new jobs in the local area during its construction and 85 permanent positions to handle the associated operation and maintenance work.

In 2011, Abengoa obtained a federal loan guarantee from the US government and successfully secured the necessary financing for the project.

Various components of this groundbreaking parabolic-trough plant were designed by Abengoa itself and manufactured locally.

Construction has effectively started in 2011.

The project will provide a huge economic boost to the area by contributing significantly to California's renewable energy targets, replacing fossil fuels with solar energy and other alternative sources to curb greenhouse gas emissions.

Mojave Solar (Mojave Desert, California, United States)



Shams-1 (Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates)

#### Shams-1, the largest solar plant in the Middle East

A consortium comprising Abengoa and Total won an international tender to develop and operate, in joint venture with Masdar, the largest solar power plant in the Middle East. This first solar power project in the Middle East marks one of the first steps by the Abu Dhabi government to introduce renewable energy into a region which presently remains highly dependent on hydrocarbons. It also represents a strategic milestone for Abengoa due to the vast scope for development in the region.



The Shams-1 plant, construction of which started at the end of 2010, sits on roughly 300 ha of land in the Abu Dhabi desert and will have an installed capacity of 100 MW. The facility will include close to  $600,000~\text{m}^2$  of ASTRØ parabolic troughs designed by Abengoa.

Shams-1 employs cutting-edge parabolic trough technology. Of the plant's many innovative features, we would highlight its dry cooling system and its ancillary heating boiler. The dry cooling system reduces water consumption at the plant considerably, while the ancillary boiler heats the steam as it enters the turbine, notably boosting the efficiency of the cycle. Both features place Shams-1 at the very forefront of parabolic trough technology.

Construction is progressing according to plan and the plant is due to enter service during the second half of 2012.

#### Plants in pre-construction/advanced development

Abengoa has been awarded the first two CSP projects in the country by the South African Department of Energy.

#### KaXu Solar One

The South African Department of Energy has selected Abengoa to construct a 100 MW parabolic-trough solar plant.

KaXu Solar One, a 100 MW solar power plant employing parabolic-trough technology, will have a thermal storage capacity of 3 hours and will sit on 1,100 ha of land close to the city of Pofadder, in the north of the Northern Cape province. Around 800 jobs will be created during the construction phase, while 35 permanent jobs will be required for the subsequent operation and maintenance. The project will also create in the region of 200 direct or indirect jobs within the local community. The facility makes a hugely important technological advance by utilizing dry cooling systems.

The venture is owned by Abengoa, with a 51 % stake, and Industrial Development Corporation (IDC), with a 49 % share.

IDC is South Africa's largest financial development institution and has helped to drive forward the industry on the path to ensuring economic growth within the country.

#### Khi Solar One

The second project for which the South African Department of Energy has selected Abengoa is a 50 MW plant featuring superheated steam tower technology.

Khi Solar One (50 MW) is set to become Abengoa's third commercial power tower plant and its first outside Spain. The facility, with two hours of thermal storage, marks a major technological step forward in terms of efficiency by using higher process temperatures and having a nominal capacity two and a half times higher than that of the previous power tower built by Abengoa in Andalusia. This is thanks to the new generation of superheated steam technology developed by Abengoa at its R&D centers. As the plant will utilize dry cooling systems, its water consumption is slashed by 80 %. The tower plant will be constructed on a 600-ha plot of land near Upington, also in the Northern Cape province. Roughly 600 jobs will be created during the construction stage, while a further 35 jobs will be required for the subsequent operation and maintenance of the plant.

The venture is owned by Abengoa, with a 51 % stake, and Industrial Development Corporation (IDC), with a 49 % share.

IDC is South Africa's largest financial development institution and has helped to drive forward the industry on the path to ensuring economic growth within the country

#### Plants in development

Abengoa has a dedicated team of over 100 people working on plant development in Spain, the United States and the other markets in which the company operates. Over recent years, Abengoa has channeled much of its time and resources into developing solar power plants. As a result, it has a sizeable portfolio in different phases of development and embracing both CPS and photovoltaic technologies.

#### **Spain**

Abengoa owns more than 1,000 MW in development in CSP plants in different autonomous regions. Most of these plants will be built following the introduction of the new regulatory framework in 2014.

#### **United States**

Abengoa has had a team of experts working on plant development since 2006, enabling the company to launch its two groundbreaking facilities in Arizona and California.

In addition to these Solana and Mojave plants, the company currently has other projects in various phases of development, including both CSP and photovoltaic technologies.

#### International development

Outside Spain and the United States, Abengoa has teams capable of offering the best possible solution to every possible need in those markets considered attractive due to their high levels of solar radiation and regulatory control. The company currently has various projects under different phases of development in both CSP and photovoltaic technologies.

#### Desalination

Desalination business is divided into three areas:

- Development of water treatment plants, including membrane technology, requiring to invest in the facilities and oversee their design and construction.
- Operation and maintenance and sale of water from the same plants or from plants owned by third parties under long-term concession agreements.
- Development of new technologies through its R&D&I department.

#### Project development

#### Algeria

Abengoa presently has three concession contracts in Algeria with the state-owned company Algerian Energy Company (AEC):

- Skikda: 2011 marked the second year of service with the plant operating at 100 % capacity. The facility was the first concession to be awarded in Algeria.
- Honaine: this desalination plant is largest facility in terms of capacity that Abengoa will operate. It can produce in the region of 200,000 m³ of desalinated water per day and supply close to one million people.
- Ténès: also boasting a capacity of 200,000 m³/day, this is the first desalination plant that Abengoa will build in its entirety. It is currently under construction, with operation and maintenance due to commence in 2012.

Honaine desalination plant (200,000 m³/day)



Shot of the Chennai desalination plant (100,000 m³/day) in production since July 2010

#### India

In July 2005, the company signed a financing agreement for the Chennai desalination plant located in the province of Minjur, in southeast India. The arrangement was reached with the Chennai Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board (CMWSSB), a public company from the country's fourth largest city, which is also known as Madras. The contract follows a project finance DBOOT (Design, Build, Own, Operate, Transfer) model, with the facility to be the first plant to be developed under this model in India. Total investment for the project exceeds €100 M.

The sale of water fit for human consumption has been arranged under a 25-year concession. The desalination plant, with a 100,000 m³/day capacity, entered into operation and maintenance in July 2010 and has been performing in line with expectations ever since. The facility employs reverse osmosis membrane desalination technology, with pretreatment by flocculation, lameller settling, chemical filtration and treatment, post-treatment by remineralization, and energy exchangers. The design and construction of the plant proved to be a genuine challenge due to high salinity, strong tides and the monsoon season, all of which complicated working conditions.



#### China

Located in one of China's most important ports in Shandong province, the Qingdao desalination plant currently under construction has been designed with a capacity of 100,000 m³/day and will supply drinking water to 500,000 of the 7.6 million population of Qingdao.

The resulting water will be supplied to Qingdao Highren Water Supply Group, a public corporation attached directly to the municipal government of Qingdao. The contract envisages the design, financing, construction, operation and maintenance of the facility for a 25-year term. It is the first contract to be signed exclusively with local Chinese banks, which will finance 70 % of the total investment, equivalent to roughly €135 M.

It features a groundbreaking design both for pretreatment (ultrafiltration membranes) and the centralized pumping system, thus helping to boost energy efficiency.

Commissioning and commencement of operation and maintenance is scheduled for the middle of 2012.

Qingdao desalination plant (100,000 m³/day)





The Ghanaian Minister for Water visiting Abengoa facilities in Seville

#### Ghana

The most recent contract secured by Abengoa is a concession for the Nungua desalination plant located on the outskirts of the country's capital city, Accra. The contract has been signed with the public company Ghana Water Company Limited. Total project financing of \$110 M will be closed in early 2012 so construction period can be started after.

The proposed 60,000 m³/day capacity desalination plant represents a major step forward on the path to improving the hydro facilities for the supply of drinking water within the country, whose population is experiencing heavy growth. The capital city, Accra, with a population of roughly three million, is finding it difficult to cope with the demand of surrounding towns and villages. The new plant will help to supply water to nearby towns and cities such as Teshie Nungua and Tema.

#### Plants in operation and maintenance

In addition to the Skikda and Chennai plants described above, Abengoa has three operation and maintenance agreements in effect in Spain:

- Almeria: the Almeria desalination plant, with a capacity of 50,000 m³/day, has been in service since 2005. The water it produces is supplied to the city of Almeria for human consumption and the operation and maintenance agreement is for 15 years.
- Cartagena: with a total capacity of 65,000 m³/day and employing reverse osmosis technology, the plant, located in the province of Murcia, has been operational since the middle of 2005. Total project investment exceeds €55 M and the plant will be operated for a 15-year term. The membranes have been changed to boost the nominal capacity of the plant to 110 % of its original capacity.

Shot of the Almeria desalination plant (50,000 m³/day ■ Bajo Almanzora: the desalination plant, located in the province of Almeria, was unveiled in September of 2011, with the operation and maintenance phase due to commence at the start of 2012. The facility has a pre-design capacity of 60,000 m³/day and entailed a total investment of €73 M. The plant will be operated for a 15-year term, as with the other two plants. The facility also features a number of medium-voltage frequency converters, which increase the profitability of the plant while reducing energy consumption.

Abengoa can therefore produce a grand total of over half a million cubic meters of desalinated water per day.



#### R&D&I

Abengoa has a strategy centered on the development of proprietary technologies in the desalination area. It has a 3,000 m² R&D&l center at its disposal, where over 40 researchers work, including seven doctorate holders and experts in membrane technology, desalination processes and water treatment. The center offers state-of-theart facilities, including laboratories, exhibition hall, experimentation areas and a control room, allowing the company to optimize and streamline the running of our operational plants via satellite connection.

The company is currently developing four R&D&I programs:

- Desalination program, which focuses on improving the efficiency of the reverse osmosis process while lowering associated investment, operation and maintenance costs.
- The Potabilization-Purification-Reuse program seeks to optimize membrane-based water treatment processes so as to save energy and produce less sludge, and to develop sludge treatment and elimination technologies, such as supercritical oxidation.
- Filtration membrane program, which focuses on the development of proprietary technology applied to seawater or brackish water desalination pretreatment processes; water filtration for potable use and urban and industrial wastewater treatment for water regeneration and reuse.
- Sustainability program, through which the company is developing new solutions that incorporate renewable energy sources into desalination processes.



Inside a pilot plant

Abengoa's main investment in desalination has therefore been in its R&D&I programs, which are key to the future growth of the company. It's also worth noting that previously committed funds were effectively invested in the companies handling the projects under concession in Algeria, India and China.

Abengoa also completed the purchase of the remaining 49 % equity stake in the Texan company NRS Consulting Engineers, in which it has held a majority stake since October 2008. The full acquisition of NRS has helped to create synergies between Abengoa and its subsidiary by fusing the capacities and experience of both companies.

# Cogeneration and other concessions

### Cogeneration concessions

This section includes the company's main cogeneration plants by country:

#### Spain

Aprofursa, Covisa and Enernova power plants

These plants generate electrical power while utilizing the resulting heat to produce water or steam. The electrical power is sold to the host industry or transmitted to the grid (market or tariff option), while the heat is used by the host industry. This kind of activity requires long-term power purchase agreements with the host industries, fuel purchase arrangements and plant operation and maintenance contracts.

Detailed below are the main characteristics of each plant:

#### Aprofursa

This plant, located in Alcantarilla (Murcia), has a power output of 12.7 MW and employs a dual Deutz motor configuration.

The facility uses a heat recovery boiler to superheat exhaust gases from the diesel turbines before transferring the heat to the host factory, and generating electricity to be sold to the grid.

#### Covisa

This plant, situated in Cuevas de Almanzora (Almeria), has an installed capacity of 20.7 MW and employs a set-up comprising two Wärtsilä engines.

Wartsila engine room at Covisa





Enernova cogeneration plant in Ayamonte (Huelva)



Procesos Ecológicos Vilches Gas drying and treatment at PEV



Turbines for the Nuevo Pemex cogeneration plant in transit

The facility utilizes the exhaust gases from the two engines to generate saturated steam and hot water in a heat recovery boiler. The heat dissipated by the engine cooling circuits is used to desalinate the water that feeds the host factory.

#### Enernova

This combined cycle plant, which features a LM1600 General Electric gas turbine and an Allen steam turbine, has an installed capacity of 19.6 MW and is situated in Ayamonte (Huelva).

The exhaust gases from a gas turbine generator are used to generate superheated steam in a heat recovery boiler for expansion in a steam turbine, generating electricity and thermal heat as hot water for use at the fish farm.

#### Procesos Ecológicos Vilches

Specialized in the recycling of livestock waste to produce fertilizer and electrical power through a slurry treatment plant (pig waste, mixed excrement, urine, water, leftover animal feed and other foreign bodies) combined with a electrical power cogeneration plant.

Although its contribution to the cogeneration business (approximately 380 MW) is relatively little, what impresses is the fact that it eliminates excess slurry, for which there is currently no other environmentally and economically viable alternative.

Business takes place in the municipality of Vilches, in the north of the province of Jaen in Andalusia. Future investments will focus on improving energy efficiency and environmental protection.

#### Mexico

Abengoa Cogeneración Tabasco (ACT)

ACT is a concession engaged in efficient electricity generation, as defined by the Mexican Energy Regulation Commission (Comisión Reguladora de Energía de México). This involves producing electrical power and high-pressure steam by burning natural gas and using the resulting combustion gases to generate high-pressure superheated steam.

The company is chiefly involved in the following lines of business:

- Generating 277 MWh of electrical power to be used at various plants belonging to Petróleos Mexicanos (Pemex) and to be transported to consumer connection points by the distribution grid of the Mexican Electricity Commission (CFE).
- With the combustion gases, steam is generated and delivered (up to 800 t/h) at the Nuevo Pemex gas processing complex, owned by Pemex Gas y Petroquímica Básica, a Pemex subsidiary, and located in the municipality of Villahermosa, state of Tabasco.

The cogeneration facility is structured into two separate phases: the construction phase, which in turn comprises five stages before the plant enters service, and the operation and service delivery and acceptance phase.

#### Other concessions

This section provides a description of Abengoa concessions other than cogeneration assets, including dams and smart buildings:

#### Spain

The company operates in the following sectors:

- Smart buildings (courthouses, penitentiaries, cultural centers, etc.).
- Hospitals.
- Rail transport.
- Power transmission lines.
- Renewable energies (photovoltaic plants, wind farms, ocean wave and tide facilities, etc.).
- Energy efficiency.

The following are prime examples of these kinds of concessions:

- Hospital Costa del Sol: the contract envisages the 40-year exploitation of the hospital building and underground parking lot. The hospital building has a floor area of 31,200 m², while the parking lot occupies 25,500 m² (960 spaces).
- Hospital del Tajo: the contract envisages the exploitation (management and maintenance) of the hospital for a 30-year term. Gross surface area totals 58,000 m².
- Courthouses: Abengoa owns surface rights to construct and maintain the courthouses at Olot, Cerdanyola and Santa Coloma de Gramanet, and to operate the buildings through a lease with the regional government of Catalonia. Olot courthouse (Gerona) has a gross floor area of 3,376 m², while the courthouse at Cerdanyola del Vallés (Barcelona) has 8,288 m² and the one at Santa Coloma de Gramanet (Barcelona) 7,559 m².
- Irrigation zone of the Navarra Canal: this concession involves exploiting the infrastructure of the irrigation zone of the Navarra Canal in relation to phase one, meaning up to the river Aragon, a tributary of the River Ebro, spanning 23,611 hm. This phase will provide service to over 6,600 irrigation subscribers from 27 municipalities, thus guaranteeing high-quality irrigation water, paving the way for a rich variety of crops and improving the competitiveness of the agricultural sector.
- Cerrato hydro power station on the Pisuerga river, Palencia: this run-of-river hydro facility can handle a flow rate of 70 m³/s through two 2,030 kVA Kaplan turbines and a further turbine that operates an environmental flow of 7 m³/s. The center has a total installed capacity of 4 MW

Cerrato hydro power station on the Pisuerga river, Palencia



Mini-stations along the Aragon and Catalonia irrigation canal: these stations were built to harness the hydro power of eleven rapids on a stretch of the canal as it passes through the provinces of Lerida and Huesca. At each site, the canal has been widened to allow for the construction of a parallel canal or channel to the right in order to feed the mini hydro station. After driving the turbine, the flow is fed back into the canal at the end of the rapid. The eleven stations have a combined power output of 7 MW.

#### Mexico

Centro Cultural Mexiquense de Oriente (CCMO) cultural center

Boasting a gross floor area of  $35,000 \text{ m}^2$  and sitting on a 17 ha. plot of land, the center will welcome over six million local inhabitants. Its avant-garde design makes it an unmistakable local landmark with the stunning views of the Texcoco valley and the surrounding area as its backdrop.

The complex includes 8,500 m<sup>2</sup> of museums, libraries, workshop modules with over 60 classrooms intended for a range of different art-related subjects, an administrative building, auditoriums, an open-air theater, a concert hall with seating for 1,200 people, a cafeteria, a restaurant and enough parking for over 1,000 vehicles.

The customer is the Mexican Institute for Culture (Instituto Mexiquense de Cultura, IMC) and Abengoa has been entrusted with the operation of the center for 20 years. After this, the building will be handed back to the IMC in accordance with the terms of the applicable framework (projects to provide services). The buildings are fitted with cutting-edge technology to ensure optimum functioning, including the use of photovoltaic cells to generate enough power to illuminate the parking area.

El Zapotillo aqueduct

The Mexican Water Commission (Conagua) has chosen Abengoa to build the El Zapotillo aqueduct, which will provide an efficient, sustainable and secure means of supplying drinking water to nearly one and a half million inhabitants. The proposed El Zapotillo – Los Altos de Jalisco – León Guanajuato aqueduct (Mexico) will draw water from the El Zapotillo dam and feed it to the city of León and the municipalities of Los Altos de Jalisco.

The engineering work includes the construction of 139 km of large diameter piping; pumping stations with a total installed capacity of 24,000 kW; a drinking water treatment plant of 3,800 L/s; a storage tank capable of holding 100,000 m³ and a 40 km distribution circuit within the municipality of León. All to purify and transport a maximum of 5,600 L/s, of which 3,800 L will be channeled to the city of León, in Guanajuato, and the rest to the municipalities of Jalisco state.

Abengoa has been tasked with the engineering, construction, outfitting, operation and maintenance of the infrastructure. The company will operate the concession for 25 years: 3 years to start it up and the remaining 22 for operation and maintenance. Estimated revenue for the operating period exceeds \$800 M.



Cerrato hydro power station on the Pisuerga river, (Palencia)



Mini hydro station sluice gate to keep water levels constant on the Aragon and Catalonia Canal.



Inside the CCMO theater

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Concession-type infrastructures

#### **Uruguay**

Palmatir

Construction and exploitation of the Peralta wind farm (50 MW) in Peralta, Tacuarembó (Uruguay). The farm is to be built at the start of next year, before then moving on to the operational phase.

#### **Brazil**

Wind farms

Secured contracts from Aneel (Brazilian Electrical Energy Agency) for three wind farms with a combined capacity of 64 MW, namely Santo Antonio Pádua, São Jorge and São Cristovão, all located in the municipality of Trairí in Ceará state (Brazil). Construction is scheduled to get under way in 2012 and Abengoa has been entrusted with the subsequent operation of the facilities.