

Abengoa awarded a new electricity transmission project in northern Chile

- The project will be operational next year and will be more than 140 km long.

Seville, 8 July 2011.- Abengoa, the international company that applies innovative technology solutions for sustainable development in the energy and environment sectors, is to carry out a new electricity transmission line project in northern Chile for the CAP group, a leading iron and steel producer in Chile. The purpose of the new transmission line and the substations of the project is to provide an efficient and sustainable energy supply for the workings of the new Cerro Negro Norte iron mine and for a desalination plant in Puerto Punta Totalillo, located in the same region of the Atacama Desert in northern Chile.

Abengoa will be responsible for carrying out the engineering, design, construction and start-up of the transmission line and substations.

Abengoa will construct a 220 kV line that will cover 140 km, an extension of the Cardones substation owned by Transelec S.A, and the engineering and construction of the new Cerro Negro Norte and Punta Totalillo substations.

Construction of the transmission line is expected to start in July this year and both the line and the substations are due to come into operation in October 2012.

This new project will further strengthen Abengoa's experience of transmission lines, consolidating its leadership position in this sector in Latin America, where it has developed more than 20,000 km of electricity transport infrastructures.

About Abengoa

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