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SUEZ NWS Signed a Number of New Projects to Shape Sustainable Environment

Recently, SUEZ NWS has successfully signed a number of equipment and technical services contracts with total amount of over 230 million RMB for municipal and industrial wastewater treatment. In addition, the Company has once again teamed up with Zhongshan Public Utilities (ZPU) to finalize a deal to acquire the equity interest of Zhongshan Zhongneng Testing Centre as a 51:49 consortium, further expanding its third-party environmental quality monitoring (EQM) business in China.

Maximizing Performance in Wastewater Treatment and Improving the Living Environment

China considers pollution prevention at the source and mitigation of pollutant discharge among the most effective means of improving the ecological environment. Therefore, raising the quality standard for wastewater treatment is essential for improving the living environment. With a commitment to environmental sustainability, SUEZ NWS has recently signed a number of municipal and industrial wastewater projects in Hunan, Sichuan, Inner Mongolia and Jiangsu provinces. These projects, involving a combined daily treatment capacity of over 1,000,000 cubic metres, are expected to significantly raise water quality standards and local wastewater treatment capacities, enable water reuse, conserve scarce land resources and protect the local water bodies from pollution. Additionally, the industrial water treatment equipment helps to remove large amounts of suspended solids and harmful elements from the mining wastewater and treat high salinity wastewater for the petrochemical industry to prevent secondary contamination of water bodies.

Committed to Preserving and Restoring the Fundamental Elements of Our Environment

As people become more health-conscious, China is continuously improving its EQM system to maximize the effectiveness of environmental actions. There is growing demand for EQM and assessment of the water, soil and air. Following its 100% acquisition of the environmental testing laboratory business of ALS in China in 2019, SUEZ NWS is partnering with ZPU to acquire Zhongshan Zhongneng Testing Centre. This will help to strengthen the Centre's existing soil and water quality testing capacity, as well as to expand its services to over a dozen cities. Among 8 environmental testing centres in Zhongshan, Zhongneng Testing Centre ranks 3rd in the Zhongshan market providing environmental testing services covering contaminated land, solid waste, water (wastewater, groundwater) and air, with certification covering over 800 items.

"As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic that started a few months ago, people have become more environmentally conscious and are expecting more environmental improvements," said Steve Clark, CEO of SUEZ Asia, "However, environmental sustainability depends on collective action, not just the actions of a single person, or group. In addition to stringent environmental and safety standards from the central government, we, as environmental service providers, must work with local governments, municipalities and industrial customers to honour our commitments to the environment. While assisting China to take tough steps in preventing and controlling pollution, we can also jointly contribute to a more comprehensive, efficient and high-quality environmental monitoring system in China. This will allow us to better and more quickly achieve new environmental goals and further improve people's quality of life."

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About SUEZ:

Since the end of the 19th century, SUEZ has built expertise aimed at helping people to constantly improve their quality of life by protecting their health and supporting economic growth. With an active presence on five continents, SUEZ and its 90,000 employees strive to preserve our environment's natural capital: water, soil, and air. SUEZ provides innovative and resilient solutions in water management, waste recovery, site remediation and air treatment, optimizing municipalities' and industries' resource management through "smart" cities and improving their environmental and economic performance. The Group delivers sanitation services to 64 million people and produces 7.1 billion m³ of drinking water. SUEZ is also a contributor to economic growth, with more than 200,000 jobs created directly and indirectly on an annual basis, and a provider of new resources, with 4.2 million tons of secondary raw materials produced. By 2030, the Group is targeting 100% sustainable solutions, with a positive impact on our environment, health and climate. SUEZ generated total revenue of €18.0 billion in 2019.

About NWS Holdings Limited

NWS Holdings Limited (Hong Kong Stock Code: 659), as the diversified industries flagship of New World Development Company Limited (Hong Kong Stock Code: 17), invests and operates a wide range of businesses predominantly in Hong Kong and across Greater China. The Group's core businesses include toll roads, commercial aircraft leasing, construction and insurance, while it also manages a strategic portfolio spanning sectors from environment, logistics, facilities management to transport. Please visit <http://www.nws.com.hk> for details.

About SUEZ NWS Limited

SUEZ NWS Limited ("SUEZ NWS") is a joint venture between SUEZ and NWS Holdings Limited. With 8,000 employees and over 70 joint ventures with local partners in Greater China, SUEZ NWS is a preferred partner in helping authorities and industrial clients develop water and waste management solutions to optimize their resource management and strengthen their environment and economic performances. Today, the Company has built over 300 water and wastewater plants, with 32+ million people benefiting from its water and waste services in the country. It is recognized as one of the most influential companies and a service benchmark in leading the region's environmental industry. It operates China's first PPP water contract in Macau and one of Asia's largest hazardous waste treatment facilities in Shanghai. It is also a leader in Hong Kong's waste management industry, and delivers environmental services to 19 industrial parks.

Zhongshan Public Utilities Group

Founded in 1998, Zhongshan Public Utilities Group (ZPUG) is a publicly listed, majority state-owned company. Its business revenue and net profit for 2018 were RMB 2.037 billion and 686 million, respectively. Currently, ZPUG is a conglomerate with water and environmental services as its core business. Its activities span solid waste treatment, sanitation services, engineering construction, marketing, port and passenger services, financial services and equity investment.

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