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Hitachi Zosen Inova: Strong Partnership as Key to Success

Hitachi Zosen Inova has been awarded the contract for a further energy-from-waste plant in the UK

Hitachi Zosen Inova has been given the EPC contractor role in the construction of the Greatmoor energy-from-waste (EfW) facility in the UK. This CHF 210 million project will see Hitachi Zosen Inova providing support to the Buckinghamshire area both in terms of sustainable thermal waste treatment and the creation of a large number of jobs.

The signing of the contract at the end of April is the result of the successful and exclusive cooperation between Hitachi Zosen Inova (HZI) and FCC Environment for the project, which was put out to public tender by Buckinghamshire County Council in 2009. This turnkey order is already HZI's third contract for leading waste and resource management company FCC Environment. It marks a further chapter in HZI's success story in the UK, which began in 2006 with the construction of an extension line in Cleveland.

"We are very pleased to be working exclusively with Hitachi Zosen Inova on the Greatmoor Energy from Waste project. This facility is of immense importance to our customer, Buckinghamshire County Council, and represents huge sustainability benefits for the county over the next 30 years. It is important, therefore, that our technology partner shares our commitment to extracting maximum energy value from the thermal treatment of residual waste", said Paul Taylor, Chief Executive, FCC Environment.

Power for 36,000 homes

The single-line EfW facility with a thermal capacity of 102 MW will play a leading role in sustainable waste management in Buckinghamshire. Construction is to begin this year, with the handover to operators FCC Environment and Buckinghamshire County Council planned for 2016. As well as massively reducing the volume of landfill waste, the state-of-the-art thermal waste treatment plant will also meet the UK government's climate protection requirements in full. The facility will have the capacity to treat 300,000 tonnes of waste per year, generating 22 MW of electricity for some 36,000 homes.

Sustainable regional development

As well as being sustainable from the environmental perspective, the Greatmoor EfW plant will also contribute to the long-term economic development of Buckinghamshire. Some 300 temporary jobs will be created in the construction phase of the project. After commissioning, there will be 64 new jobs at the plant and a further 31 in the supply chain. The facility will also generate around GBP 2.3 million per year for the local economy.

About Hitachi Zosen Inova

Zurich-based Hitachi Zosen Inova (HZI) is a global leader in energy from waste (EfW), operating as part of the Hitachi Zosen Corporation Group. Formed from the former Von Roll Inova, HZI acts as an engineering, procurement and construction (EPC) contractor delivering complete turnkey plants and system solutions for energy recovery from waste. HZI's solutions are based on efficient and environmentally sound technology, are thoroughly tested, can be flexibly adapted to user requirements, and cover the entire plant life cycle. The company's customers range from experienced waste management companies to up-and-coming partners in new markets worldwide. HZI's innovative and reliable waste and flue gas treatment solutions have been part of some 500 reference projects delivered since 1933. To find out more, please visit www.hz-inova.com

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