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TRELEC, an EPM Group company, has won bidding to build a new electric energy transmission network in Guatemala

- **This is the second announcement so far this year of big international business by EPM Group**
- **This new project signals important growth of electric energy transmission assets for TRELEC and EPM Group**
- **The project will benefit the inhabitants of Escuintla, Jutiapa, Jalapa, Santa Rosa, Zacapa and Chiquimula provinces**

Transportista Eléctrica Centroamericana S.A. (TRELEC), a company of EPM Group in Guatemala, has won international bidding to design and construct 160 kilometers of lines at 69 kV together with 12 substations at 230, 138 and 69 kV to supply high-quality electric energy to the Guatemalan southeastern region.

The preparation of the bid for the National Transmission Expansion Plan 2014 (PETNAC) took six months, after which, the Guatemalan Ministry of Energy and Mines awarded to TRELEC the works corresponding to Lot D, one of the five lots composing the PETNAC. Besides designing and constructing the lines and substations, TRELEC will be in charge of easements, land purchase, supervision, operation and maintenance of the electric transport system in the Central American country's Southeast.

The people of the Escuintla, Jutiapa, Jalapa, Santa Rosa, Zacapa and Chiquimula provinces will benefit from the service quality and reliability that characterize all the companies making up the EPM Group.

"TRELEC takes pride in winning this bidding that will permit us bringing electric energy to communities that today receive irregular and low quality service. We believe this awarding will permit us to continue with the work that as EPM Group we have carried out in the country" said Mr. Eduardo Arita, TRELEC's Chief Executive Officer.



In turn, EPM's Chief Executive Officer and leader of EPM Group, Juan Esteban Calle Restrepo, indicated that "with this type of projects the business conglomerate seeks to contribute to improving the life quality of the Guatemalan people with high-quality energy that provides the necessary conditions for their development and that of future generations".

TRELEC a company in expansion

Transportista Eléctrica Centroamericana S.A. (TRELEC) is a company dedicated to the transport, transmission and transformation of electric energy.

With more than 15 years of experience, the company is currently in charge of the operation and maintenance of 64 kilometers of lines at 230 kV, 667 kilometers of lines at 69 kV, six switching substations and 56 substations of 69/13.8 kV transformation. Its installed capacity totals 1,078 MW that interconnect 163 distribution circuits at 13.8 kV.

In 2013 it was awarded construction of the Transmission Network Expansion Plan (PET 1), a project that includes expansion of 60 substations plus construction of 21 new ones and implementation of 210 kilometers of lines.

TRELEC operates in the provinces of Escuintla and Sacatepéquez in Guatemala. After today's announcement it can expand to Guatemala's Southeastern region through the neighboring provinces of Santa Rosa and Jalapa, reaching cities 4 kilometers from the border with Honduras and 10 kilometers from the border with El Salvador, which may present new investment opportunities.

A good start to the New Year

This good news adds to the one announced last week by EPM Group about the designation of Tecnología Intercontinental (TICSA), its Mexican subsidiary, to carry out and operate works to provide treated waste water to Mexican PEMEX Refinación in Ciudad Madero, in southeastern Tamaulipas province. "We are very happy about the new year and the good businesses closed by the Group's companies abroad, who also seek to contribute to building sustainable and competitive territories with innovation solutions at the service of the people", added Mr. Calle Restrepo.

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