

## ENEL SETS UP A PARTNERSHIP WITH A TURKISH COMPANY TO UNDERGO THE ELECTRICITY MARKET'S PRIVATIZATION

- *Enel and Enka team up to participate to the tender for 3 distribution companies in Turkey*
- *The Turkish market represents a key area in Enel's international footprint*

**Rome and Istanbul, 4 December, 2006** – Today Enel announced that a partnership with Enka, the Turkish conglomerate, has been signed. The co-operation between the two companies is aimed at developing and completing projects in the generation, distribution and sale of electricity in Turkey.

As a first step of their co-operation Enel and Enka will jointly participate in the privatization process of the existing electricity distribution companies the Turkish government is undertaking.

The joint venture company will submit a joint binding offer for the acquisition of the full capital of the first 3 companies in the process of being privatized Ayedas, Baskent and Sedas.

**Ayedas** provides electricity to 1.9 million customers in the Istanbul Asian region. The company sells 6,315 GWh with a market share of about 7% on the total Turkish electricity sales.

**Baskent** provides electricity to 2.8 million customers in the central western Anatolia region, including Ankara area. The company sells 8,041 GWh, with a market share of about 10% of the total Turkish electricity sales.

**Sedas** provides electricity to 1.3 million customers in the north western Anatolia region, situated between Istanbul and Ankara regions. The company sells 4,134 GWh, representing about 4% of the total Turkish electricity sales.

The deadline for submitting a bidding offer to the Turkish Privatization Administration is January 19, 2007.

## **About Enel**

Enel is Italy's largest power company and Europe's third largest utility by market capitalization. Listed on the Milan and New York stock exchanges since 1999, Enel has the largest number of shareholders of any other European company, at some 2.3 million. It has a market capitalization of about 44 billion euro at current prices.

Enel produces and sells electricity mostly in Europe, North and Latin America. In the power business, Enel has 53,000 Megawatt of generating capacity and has 32 million electricity customers.

Enel is also the second-largest Italian distributor and vendor of natural gas, with over 2.2 million customers and a 12% market share.

The company has about 52,000 employees and operates 46 thermal plants, 500 hydro facilities, 32 geothermal plants, 17 wind farms and 4 photovoltaic plants, in addition to more than a million kilometres of power lines, in Italy and internationally.

In 2005, Enel posted revenues of 34 billion euro, EBIT of 7.7 billion euros and net income of 3.9 billion euro.

Enel runs operations in Spain, Slovakia, Bulgaria, Romania and Russia. In the renewables Enel is also one of the largest independent operators in the Americas.