

ENELPOWER TO BUILD 410 KM HIGH TENSION POWER LINES IN ALGERIA

Rome, December 14, 2001 – Enelpower has signed an important contract in Algeria for the construction of 410 Km of high tension (400 Kv) power lines, also fitted out with optic fibre.

The contract, awarded after an international contest, by SONELGAZ to Enelpower as Main Contractor, calls for the construction of a 210 klm section of line between Touggourt and Biskra, and another 200 km tract between the Algerian power station in Hassi Ameur to the border with Marocco.

The total value of the contract is about 75 million euros.

The project, a fundamental element for the development of Algeria's power grid, will be completed in 12 months.

"With the awarding of this contract," observed Enelpower's Chief Executive Luigi Giuffrida, "the company is proceeding with its strategy of internationalization and, after its recent successes in the Persian Gulf, confirms its expansion in the countries of the Mediterranean basin also in the transmission sector".