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Maire Tecnimont and WorleyParsons form Strategic Alliance to develop LNG Regas and Mini-LNG Projects

- The respective operating companies of Sofregaz and WorleyParsons have signed a strategic alliance agreement
- The partnership combines both companies' expertise to offer a range of consultancy and engineering services in Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) related business (LNG Regas and mini-LNG)
- The agreement has a global perspective with particular focus on North America and Asia-Pacific

Rome and Singapore, 18 February 2009 – **Maire Tecnimont and WorleyParsons group** announce a strategic alliance to develop LNG Regas and mini-LNG projects worldwide. The Strategic Alliance agreement has been signed by Sofregaz, the French operating company of the Maire Tecnimont group highly specialized in natural gas business, and by WorleyParsons, a leading provider of professional services to the energy and resources sector. The partnership is based on a shared vision of the high potential of the natural gas market within the framework of global energy demand.

The strategic alliance between the two partners will combine their respective capabilities to cover the full range of consultancy and engineering services, including LNG regasification terminals, mini-LNG liquefaction plants and LNG peak shaving units, for both onshore and offshore solutions. The strategic alliance is global with particular focus on North America, China, India, South East Asia and Australasia.

"By signing this partnership Maire Tecnimont and WorleyParsons will be able to seize new growth opportunities in the LNG sector worldwide," said **Fabrizio Di Amato, Chairman and CEO of Maire Tecnimont**. "Natural gas remains today one of the most accessible energy sources with lowest CO₂-emission impact on the environment among the fossil fuels."

"We are delighted to enter into this strategic relationship with Maire Tecnimont and Sofregaz, which allows us to bring together complementary skills and synergistic geographical reach, to serve these important LNG sectors of the energy market," said **Brian Evans, Managing Director, Global Hydrocarbons, WorleyParsons**.

Sofregaz - Maire Tecnimont Group

Sofregaz, operating company of Maire Tecnimont Group, is a leader in the LNG and natural gas market with particular emphasis to the design and engineering of LNG regasification on-shore terminals.

Maire Tecnimont is an international industrial group which provides a comprehensive, integrated system of services and installations in its sectors: Chemicals and Petrochemicals, Oil & Gas, Power, Civil Engineering and Infrastructure. The Group, with a presence in 24 countries and 4 continents, currently owns 37 trading companies and can rely on a workforce of about 4,300 employees, more than half of whom are outside Italy. At 30 September 2008, the Group reported Revenues of €1,705 million and Net income of €80 million.

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WorleyParsons is a global leader in Consulting Engineering, Project Management, Engineering, Procurement Services and Construction Management in the Hydrocarbons, Power, Minerals & Metals and Infrastructure & Environment Industries, with 114 Offices in 38 countries, WorleyParsons employs around 32,200 people. In 2008, WorleyParsons' global revenues were around AUD 4.9 billion.

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