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K&M/KMR Sign Agreement to Develop SiHwa Co-Generation Project in South Korea

I n June, K&M/KMR concluded a Memorandum of Understanding, and associated consulting agreement, to assist in the development of the SiHwa Power Project on behalf of Seohae Energy of South Korea, which will serve as the project management company. Project sponsors are Ssangyong Engineering and Construction Co. of South Korea, Marubeni Corporation of Japan and KMR Power Corporation of the United States.

The SiHwa Power Project, a 200 MW coal-fired co-generation facility, will be structured on a 20-year Build-Own-Operate (BOO) basis and is expected to attract up to \$400 million in foreign capital. This new facility will be located in an industrial complex west of the capital city of Seoul. Steam will be provided to key industries in the complex with the electricity to be sold to the state-owned utility, KEPCO.

K&M senior vice president William Drotleff, representing K&M and KMR, signed the MOU together with representatives from Ssangyong and Marubeni. The MOU calls for approximately \$100 million equity participation by KMR and Marubeni, with a 33% stake each in the Seohae Energy Company. Ssangyong will hold the remaining 34%

stake. In addition, KMR and Marubeni will attempt to raise \$300 million from the international financial market.



SiHwa Project Team Signs Memorandum of Understanding.

Construction is expected to begin after mid-1999, with completion anticipated by late-2001. In addition to KMR's equity participation, K&M will provide consulting services to assist Seohae Energy in the structuring of key project agreements, while Ssangyong will provide engineering, procurement and construction services, and Marubeni will provide key equipment.

Successful development of the SiHwa Co-Generation Project will require preparation and negotiation of complex project agreements which appropriately allocate risks between the project sponsors, lenders and buyers, and ultimately lead to financial close.

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Ghana's First IPP to be Developed by KMR Power



Assists Ghana Through Energy Crisis

A n agreement of support on behalf of the Ghanaian Ministry of Mines and Energy was signed by KMR Power to develop a 220 MW gas-fired, combined cycle power plant. This project represents the first IPP in Ghana and is a milestone in the country's efforts to restructure its economy in order to promote foreign direct investment.

Ghana

The 220 MW Ghana Industries Power Project facility will be built, owned and operated by a KMR Power-led consortium that includes Emerging Power Development Limited of the United States and Marubeni Corporation of Japan. K&M is providing technical and financial advice and assistance in site selection.

Up to 100 MW of plant capacity will be used to supply Ashanti Goldfields Company Ltd., the primary sponsor of this project, which currently utilizes 80-84 MW for all of its operations. The remaining 120 MW will be sold to the Electricity Company of Ghana, the stateowned power distribution company, for resale to the country's growing industrial and mining sector. Ashanti Goldfields Company, one of the 10 largest gold mining companies in the world, initiated development of this new power project in 1997 in order assure that its future production plans would not be constrained by national power supply limitations. Construction is expected to begin by the early 1999, with initial operation by the end of 1999.

The new plant will be constructed near the Tema area of Accra, Ghana's capital city, which is located on the Gold Coast of West Africa. It will be fired with natural gas brought via the new West Africa pipeline from gasfields along the southwest coast of Nigeria.

In order to support development of the proposed IPP, the Volta River Authority has registered a subsidiary transmission company which will take over responsibility for the operation of the National Transmission Grid and the Volta Load Dispatch Center.

Message from the Chairman

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Michael Kappaz Chairman and CEO Dear Friends of K&M:

Our ten year anniversary celebration prompted greetings from friends, colleagues, clients, teaming partners, and government officials from around the world. Your good wishes deeply touch me and provide inspiration to continue our expansion into new industry sectors where K&M can share the knowledge we have gained in developing and financing innovative private power projects with owners and developers of new water and telecommunications projects.

It is appropriate to pay tribute to the K&M employees who staff our field offices around the world. In an industry where field or project offices open and close at start up and completion, two K&M field offices have become key to our operations overseas. The Cartagena, Colombia office recently celebrated its five year anniversary (profiled in this issue), and the Cairo, Egypt office has become a cornerstone of K&M's operations in the Middle East (to be profiled in our next issue). These two field offices have been at the forefront of developing critically needed power projects in Colombia and Egypt, and have grown to manage new projects in the telecommunications and water sectors.

And, as we look to the future, K&M launches into two new important markets, South Korea in Asia, and Ghana in Africa continuing our history of pioneering international competitively bid projects that pave the way for future economic development in emerging economies.

Michael H. Kappaz

K&M to Complete Bid Evaluation in Sri Lanka

In August, the government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka selected K&M as its technical consultant to evaluate proposals received from private developers for a proposed 140-180 MW combined cycle BOOT power plant. This new facility is to be constructed at the Kelantissa power station complex, located in the northern part of the capital city of Colombo.

K&M will prepare the technical portion of the evaluation working with counterparts from the Ministry of Irrigation and Power and the Board of Investment.

K&M plans to complete the technical evaluation and submit its recommendations to the Ministry and the Ceylon Electricity Board by the fall of 1998 so that the selected developer and the GOSL can sign a letter of intent this year. The U.S. Agency for International Development is providing funds to the GOSL for the technical consultant.

This BOOT represents an important step in the introduction of privately financed infrastructure in Sri Lanka, and a significant new market for K&M. "We are pleased to assist the GOSL to structure and carry out a thorough and transparent bid evaluation for this project. K&M looks forward to forging a long term relationship that will help the GOSL attract critical new funding resources," remarked K&M senior vice president William Drotleff.

For further information, contact K&M technical director Marty Tormey at K&M-Washington.

GHANA INVESTMENT CLIMATE

"There are winds of reform blowing through Ghana which offers hope to the rest of Africa," remarked U.S. Secretary of Commerce William Daley as he kicked off the Clinton administration's historic trade mission to Africa this spring.

Globalization, with all of its uncertainities, is touching Africa too. Indeed, the official visit was viewed as an endorsement of Ghana's democratic and economic progress since embracing structural adjustment policies and economic reforms in the 1990s that have begun to turn the country around. New programs are paving the way for privatization and increased private investment.

There is great optimism among government and industrial leaders that Ghana is on the road to increased prosperity—lighting the way for Africa. Business, trade and investment are growing.

The Clinton administration's African Growth and Opportunity Act, submitted to the U.S. Congress in late 1997, sets forth a new strategy for promoting economic selfreliance throughout sub-Saharan Africa and attracting private investment to this longneglected continent. This landmark trade bill drew strong bipartisan support in the U.S. Congress, easily passing the House of Representatives in July. It was then sent to the Senate for approval.

Ghana has fully embraced the opportunity for bilateral cooperation. Vice President John Mills recently stated "The government will vigorously implement the Ghana Gateway project . . . to accelerate the country's growth strategy and facilitate trade."

AFRICA

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Ghana's current energy crisis has put this project on a fast-track. Severe drought in the region since early 1998 has drastically reduced output by the country's main power source at the 1,072 MW Akosombo hydroelectric dam by nearly 50%. This has forced Ghana to severely ration and load-shed supply to industrial and consumer users. Apart from a small 20 MW diesel plant in Tema, the 200 MW Takoradi plant is Ghana's only other power station.

Although Ghana has been able to import electricity from neighboring Côte d'Ivoire to alleviate a portion of demand, the amount is far below requirements (20 MW during the day and 70 MW at night), is extremely expensive and has imposed a drastic reduction in industrial output. Côte d'Ivoire has attempted to supply electricity to neighbouring Togo and Benin who also depend heavily on Ghana's Akosombo power station for their electricity.

Negotiations between the KMR consortium and the Ministry of Mines and Energy were concluded just prior to U.S. President William Clinton's trade mission to Africa in March. KMR chief financial officer Denis Slavich, representing the consortium, signed this milestone agreement together with Ghana's Minister of Mines and Energy, Fred Ohene-Kena. "It is their and our top priority to get this much needed power to the country as quickly as possible," Slavich said. "This facility will increase capacity by 20 percent and will contribute significantly to Ghana's economic growth. The project is an important step in the government's efforts to promote the development of private power suppliers in Ghana," Slavich continued.

The signing ceremony took place following a luncheon honoring the launch of the Ghana 100 Club. Organized by the Ghana Investment Promotion Center, membership consists of the top 100 corporate institutions in Ghana, including Ashanti Goldfields, and represents the emergence of a new entrepreneurial spirit following implementation of economic reforms within the past several years.

The luncheon was attended by members of the president's delegation, including U.S. Secretary of Commerce William Daley and U.S. Secretary of Transportation Rodney Slater, as well as Ghanaian Vice President John Mills. Their remarks emphasized the importance of the growing trade relationship between the United States and Ghana, and recognized the contribution that KMR Power is making by developing this critically needed power facility so vital to economic growth. "KMR Power is proud to be in partnership with the Ghanaian people and Ashanti Goldfields in helping to meet Ghana's ever growing energy needs as the economy continues to expand at a rapid rate. The positive attitude of all involved, including our Ghanaian partners, leaves no doubt as to why Ghana is commonly referred to as the gateway to Africa," remarked KMR chairman George Kappaz

Prior to the current energy crisis industrial users experienced frequent power outages due to transmission problems, there was a growing uncertainty about the state-owned utility's ability to supply enough power, and prices were rising to an unaffordable rate. These conditions prompted Ashanti to seek a reliable power source for its own use.

Between November 1997, and March 1998, K&M/ KMR conducted technical and financial evaluations of the project on behalf of Ashanti Goldfields Company to determine the optimal size, location and financing resources available for this new facility.

While Ashanti originally proposed a 100 MW captive facility, results of the evaluations revealed that a

plant with a minimum of 220 MW, located in Tema, would be the most cost-effective. K&M/ KMR recommended that Ashanti explore development of the larger plant and seek participation by other local industries and the state-owned utility in order to generate additional revenue by selling the excess power, while at the same time assisting Ghana to expand its generating capacity.

"Requirements are growing about 15% per annum and although Ghana is bringing new capacity on stream, like the Takoradi thermal station, it is lagging behind the increase in demand as a result of the national electrification process and

new enterprises starting up," observed Ashanti's managing director for new business and planning Peter Bradford.

After thoroughly reviewing K&M/KMR's recommendations, and projecting a strong growth in demand, Ashanti moved ahead with the project in order to bring the new plant on line as quickly as possible.

Since March, the K&M/KMR team has continued to provide technical and financial advice to the project, assisted with site selection, and moved forward with development of the project.

For further information contact Denis Slavich at KMR Power, or Frank Staszesky, Jr. at K&M-Washington.



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George Kappaz, Chairman

KMRpower

"Big consumers have decided to come together to buy power. They know that the private sector can do it to free money from the government."

Aarquaye Armah, Energy Adviser to the Ghana Ministry of Mines and Energy

"We are greatly concerned about Ghana's energy shortage and its effects on industries and the economy in general..." *Bill Clinton, President of the United States*

ASIA

SOUTH KOREA TO OPEN ELECTRIC SECTOR

In June, the government of South Korea announced plans to revise infrastructure laws in order to attract private foreign investment.

South Korea's Planning and Budget Commission, the government's top policy-planning unit, has proposed adopting the widely utilized system of Build-Operate-Transfer (BOT) which allows builders to manage facilities for up to 20 years in order to recoup capital investment before transferring to government ownership. The committee is also considering a Build-Lease-Transfer (BLT) arrangement.

In response to the current financial crisis, South Korea is moving forward to privatize major stateowned companies, including the electric utility, KEPCO. During the second half of 1998 up to 5% of KEPCO plus two of its power plants will be sold, thereby breaking the utility's monopoly in the sector. In the long term KEPCO may be restructured to unbundle generation, transmission and distribution.

To meet demand, South Korea must double current capacity to 67 GW by 2010. IPPs are expected to provide up to 6 GW new generation.

Currently, importation and construction loans are limited to \$100 million per year, and foreign ownership stakes are limited to 50%. Other incentives being debated are expansion of government guarantees, tax benefits, fiscal support, risk sharing and force majeur coverage.

VIETNAM PHU MY II, PHASE II Six Bid for BOT Power Project

Vietnam's Phu My II, Phase II BOT power project attracted highly competitive proposals from six international consortiums representing 20 companies. Bids received offered a close range of design capacity, estimated at between 745 MW and 715 MW.

The Phu My II, Phase II project is the first BOT to be awarded by Vietnam on an international competitive bid basis.

The K&M evaluation team spent five weeks in Hanoi undertaking extensive analysis of technical and financial submissions. Further discussions are expected with the Ministry of Industry and other government organizations to gain government approval.

Since 1996, K&M has served as BOT consultant to this milestone project being developed in the Ba Ria Vung Tau Province outside of Ho Chi Minh City. Construction of the plant is expected to be completed by October 2001.

According to the *Viet Nam News*, with six BOT power plants to be operational within the next few years, Electricity of Vietnam expects to double current electricity and design capacity (respectively) to 30 billion KwH and 8,000 MW by the year 2000.

For further information contact K&M technical director Marty Tormey.

Study Tour Delegation



U.S. Capitol, Washington, D.C.

Doswell Combined Cycle Electrical Generating Facility Hanover County, Virginia



Below: Henry Steingass, (K&M), Nguyen Minb Chien (Phu My Management Board), Tran Quoc Lam (EVN), Manny Sanchez (Doswell Power Plant), Hai Trinb (translator), Nguyen Duy Minh (KHM) and Phan Son Ha (Ministry of Finance).







Vietnam's Ministry of Industry and K&M Engineering host Proposal Opening Meeting.

Above: (left to right) EVN general director Hoang Trung Hai; International Finance Corporation Vietnam chief of mission Wolfgang Bertelsmeier; EVN, Phu My Ba Ria Project Management Board chairman Tran Trong Quyet; and K&M technical director Marty Tormey. **Left:** K&M procurement manager Gny Knowle and Marty Tormey.

Vietnamese Power Delegation Study Tour of United States

In March, K&M hosted a delegation from Vietnam's Ministry of Industry (MOI) and Electricity of Vietnam (EVN) for a ten day study tour. This study tour was an opportune occasion to discuss important areas of mutual concern and interest as the delegation's visit coincided with K&M's preparations for a senior staff level mission to assist the Government of Vietnam and EVN in the evaluation of bids for the Phu My II, Phase II BOT project.

The study tour was led by Mr. Phan Son Ha from the Ministry of Finance. He was joined by Mr. Tran Quoc Lam, Deputy Director, Economic and Estimation Department, EVN, Mr. Nguyen Minh Chien, Chief Accountant, Management Board of Phu My Ba Ria Power Projects, EVN, and Mr. Nguyen Duy Minh, Project Manager, KHM Infrastructure Development Consulting Company.

In addition to briefing sessions held at K&M headquarters, the delegation attended meetings in Los Angeles and New York City, visited Vietnam's new embassy in Washington D.C., and toured a power plant in Central Virginia, similar to the one to be developed at the Phu My II site.

Prior to the delegation's visit, K&M also had the opportunity to welcome to its headquarters Ministry of Industry officials Mr. Pham Manh Trang, Mr. Mai Cong Mung and Mr. Ngo Duc Hanh. During this visit the procedures to be employed during the opening and evaluation of bids for the Phu My II, Phase II BOT were discused. This discussion paved the way for a thorough review of bids by the Government of Vietnam and EVN in collaboration with the senior level team from K&M led by Marty Tormey.

For futher information, contact Marty Tormey at K&M-Washington.

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K&M HOSTS CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SEMINAR FOR CHINESE DELEGATION

In February, a 16 member delegation representing the People's Republic of China Ministry of Water Resources and various Chinese provincial and municipal water resources, institutes and educational organizations visited K&M's headquarters in Washington, D.C.



China Water Delegation Briefing

K&M senior vice president, William Drotleff, led a full day briefing by K&M project managers offering insight into methods, approaches and achievements in the area of construction management for water and water treatment projects by American companies.

K&M presented case studies and highlights of several projects the company has completed, or is currently managing, utilizing two primary approaches:

- · Engineer-Procurement-Construction Management/Turnkey Contractor, and
- · Construction Management Consultant/ Design Build Contractor.

The advantages of the two approaches were examined as outlined in the chart below:

Terri Towers, business development manager and Conal Duffy, proposal coordinator. This exchange of information also focused on project finance struct-

K&M presenters also

included John Rezaiyan,

Rodwin, project finance,

project manager, Loren

uring for infrastructure projects, highlighting how BOO/BOT methodologies can be applied to the water sector. K&M's experience in developing innovative financing techniques that have attracted investors to developing countries throughout the world was shared.

Participants discussed how establishing a publicprivate partnership, where private technology, financing and operational expertise complements public responsibility to ensure safe, efficient and affordable access to clean water and wastewater treatment. This public-private partnership can maximize resources for project implementation and attract private investment while minimizing potential risks.

The seminar concluded with an exploration of potential opportunities for mutual cooperation.

___ ADVANTAGES OF TWO APPROACHES _

SIHWA PROJECT

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"Foreign investment restrictions in

power generation assets in Korea are

quickly being relaxed. SiHwa is one of

the first projects to take advantage of

these changes," remarked K&M senior

vice president Bill Drotleff.

EP-CM/Turnkey

Greater control of design Greater control of schedule Greater control of costs Higher value added to project

K&M will assist Seohoe Energy to draft key project agreements including: the Project Company Formation

Agreement, Power Purchase Agreement with KEPCO, Steam Supply Agreement with industrial buyers, Fuel Supply Agreement, EPC Contract, O&M Agreement, Land Conveyance Agreement, and Insurance Agreements.

In addition, K&M will provide advice regarding environmental and other permits, security requirements, and legal structure. On the financial side, K&M will provide detailed finan-

cial models, risk analysis, and debt and equity financing options.

While South Korea has been considered one of the world's most promising emerging markets over <u>CMC/Design Build</u> Greater design innovation Potential for schedule savings Potential for cost savings Higher leveraging of services

> the past decades, recent conditions have forced the government to scale back in many areas, including the

energy sector. Economic growth has slowed from 8% to less than 1%, in 1998, resulting in revised plans to add new generating capacity. South Korea uses a combination of thermal (coal, oil and LNG at 62%),

nuclear (36%) and hydro electricity (3%) to meet demand. With growth expected to double in the next 12 years as the economy recovers, the SiHwa project will contribute significantly toward expanding supply while attracting critically needed foreign pri-

vate sector investment in the country. For further information contact K&M technical director Marty Tormey or K&M project manager Henry Steingass at K&M-Washington.

China's Water Sector

Conclusions presented in a rare study conducted by the U.S. National Intelligence Council, predict that a severe water crisis is looming in China, the world's most populous country. With a population expected to reach 1.5 billion by 2025. China is simply running out of water-which severely impacts its ability to grow crops and expand its industrial base.

The NIC report indicates that the Yellow River—China's largest—failed to reach the sea on 260 days in 1997 with industrialization using most of the remaining water upstream. Aquifers are drying up; rivers, streams and lakes that were once thriving no longer exist.

Over the past decade, China's economy has been among the fastest growing. Industrial use coupled with a migration from farm to city is already putting a strain on this scarce commodity.

Government officials are exploring means to mitigate a future crisis. The ability of China to meet its burgeoning water supply needs will be influenced by its success in attracting foreign investment, and that, in turn, offers challenging opportunities for innovative project structuring.

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K&M — COLOMBIA CELEBRATES

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Left to right above: Lucas Kappaz (K&M consultant), Ximena Díaz (assistant secretary), Paolo Jeni (technical assistant), Rodolfo Rueda (accountant), Rafael Arrieta (driver), José Kappaz (general manager), Tarcila Gómez (office assistant), Steve Johnson (technical director), Caro-lina Vides (secretary), Diego Cabrales (KMR consultant)

n February 1993, K&M Servicios Técnicos (Colom bia) Ltda., a spin off of U.S.-based K&M Engineering and Consulting Corporation, opened offices i Cartagena, Colombia to manage what the energy and financial world would come to recognize as the first non-recourse private power project in Latin Americathe 100 MW Mamonal Power Project.

Recognized by several prominent project finance, publications as "The Most Creative Deal of the Year," the Mamonal project truly launched the global reputa tion for K&M in the company's early years.

Mamonal resulted in an award-winning power project that reached financial close not only in an extremely difficult investment environment, but was completed and put into commercial operation in record time.

José Kappaz, an attorney, businessman and professor, headed the newly opened office. (See Meet fur Managers on page 11.) He managed day-to-day operations of the Mamonal Power Project. A committee team of engineers, construction managers, financial analysts and administrative staff were instrumental in making the Mamonal Power Project a success story that has been used as a model to develop new projects in other regions of the world.

Working with Colombian government and utility officials, the Mamonal project team consisting of K&MST, K&M Engineering, KMR Power, Rocketeller and Company, Chase Manhattan Bank and Proelectrica, achieved a truly remarkable milestone in the implementation of greenfield power projects in the developing world. It was made possible, in part, by the formation of a closed power purchasing group-Proelectrica, a consortium of local industries seeking a reliable source of electricity.

Indeed, when the Mamonal project was announced, it was viewed by international developers and financial institutitions as "The Deal" that broke the financing logiam which would ultimately lead to a new wave of overseas development projects.

As the Mamonal project neared construction completion, K&M chairman Michael Kappaz, KMR KMR Power Corporation congratulates I am looking forward to continuing George Kappaz, President and CEO, KMR



Five Year Awardees: Left to right—Rafael Arrieta (driver), José Kappaz (general manager), and Tarcila Gómez (office assistant)

president and CEO George Kappaz, and K&MST general manager José Kappaz were frequently called upon to present a project case study to numerous high level international infrastructure development conferences in order to share the lessons learned. With only a handful of IPPs that had reached fi-

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GAS TURBINE COMBINED

• CARIBETELL DIGITAL TELEPHONE SI

25,000 WIRELINES AND 5,000 FIXED WIRELESS

240 MW BOO TER

CALL, COLOMBIA (1995)

GAS TURBINE COMBINED-CYCLE

LOCAL TELEPHONE , INTERNET AND CABLE

CARTAGENA, COLOMBIA (1997)

FIRST NON-RECOURSE PRIVATE PL

Awarded "Deal of the Year"

CARTAGENA, COLOMBIA (1992)

nancial close in the early 1990s, the Mamonal case study attracted a great deal of Interest. Clearly, a new way of thinking had emerged.

Mamonal demonstrated that financial close could indeed be achieved, even in an unproven market, when all aspects • 330 MW BOO TERMOCANDELARIA POWER PROJECT of the deal adher GAS TURBINE SIMPLE-CYCLE to sound project CAPTAGENA COLOMBIA (1995) structuring principles that address and mitigate all risks inherent in a private power trans-

action. everal years

Din 1996, KMR Power launched another "first" for Latin America when it announced financial close for the

240 MW Termovalle Power Project to be developed in the Valle del Cauca at Cali, Colombia. This plant is the first private power project in Latin America to sell electricity output to a government public utility without government guarantees.

KMR's Termovalle project is being developed in conjunction with equity partners Marubeni and Florida Power and Light. Other key players are K&M Engineer-

5 FIVE YEAR ANNIVERSARY

K&MST on five years of success. to blaze new trails together in Colombia! Power Corporation



100 MW Mamonal Power Plant Cartagena, Colombia

ing, Chase Manhattan Bank, Scudder Latin American Power Fund, Interamerican Development Bank, Japan Export-Import Bank, Financiera Energetica Nacional de Colombia, North American Energy Services and Westinghouse.



Termovalle's construction financing was unprecedented in Latin America. It was achieved through an underwritten commitment for 100 percent of the project's debt requirements that was fully in place prior to bid submission. Permanent financing was obtained after award. While

Mamonal demonstrated that implementation of a project can be successful with the right structure in the absence of a detailed regulatory environment, KMR's

Termovalle project is an example of what is achievable within a new and rapidly evolving regulatory framework. These new regulations included open access wheeling, a marginal cost dispatch system for all the grid-connected power plants, and a spot market for electric energy.

Termovalle will also sell excess electricity to industrial facilities and to the Bolsa (Colombia's open



240 MW Termovalle Power Project Cali, Colombia

pool system). This feature is unique to power project financings in Colombia, and has become a much-discussed topic in the U.S. and other developed markets.

The project has achieved initial operation in simple cycle and full operation is expected by the end of 1998.

Termocandelaria, the latest power project in the KMR portfolio, was initiated in 1995. This

330 MW merchant plant, to be located in the greater Cartagena area, will sell electricity to the Bolsa. It will utilize two Westinghouse 501F turbines fueled by natural gas. The fuel will be supplied by Texaco-Colombia and transported under a long term contract by Promigas.

K&M, in joint venture with Westinghouse, will perform the turnkey construction. KMR is the lead developer and principal owner of the Termocandelaria project. The plant is expected to start construction by the 4th quarter of 1998. For further information, contact project manager Worth Edwards at K&M-Washington.

Caribetell, a new digital telephone system being developed in Cartagena by KMTel, was featured in the previous issue of *KM News*. It represents K&M's entry into the telecommunications market in Latin America. This new company was formed in 1997 to offer telephone, internet and cable services to local residents of Cartagena.

While many of our readers may be familiar with the projects K&M/KMR are managing in Colombia, it is important to reflect upon the remarkable success achieved primarily through the dedicated efforts of our employees, consultants and team members. It is fitting, on this fifth anniversary, to step back and remember what the people involved have brought to this formula. The success of these milestone projects would certainly be impossible without their enormous contibution.

K&M/KMR are proud to manage a growing portfolio of projects in the energy and telecommunications sectors of Colombia that are contributing significantly toward the country's growing economy and improving the living conditions of its local citizens.

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GHANA

KMR Power Project on behalf of Ashanti Goldfields Company

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AFP-Extel News "Ashanti Goldfields in Agreement to Support Development of Ghana Power Plant"

January

Reuters "Ashanti Gold Looks at Power Plant" Cairo Office Hosts Reception for Newly Appointed K&M Senior Vice President In April, K&M Egypt hosted a gala reception at the Semiramis Intercontinental Hotel to introduce the company's new senior vice president. William Drotleff, to Egyptian government and utility officials as well as representatives from the broad spectrum of K&M projects currently under development in Egypt.

Mr. Drotleff, who previously held the position of technical director, was named senior vice president of operations by the K&M board in December 1997. Al-though Mr. Drotleff has been integrally involved with a variety of K&M's key projects since joining the company in 1992, he had not worked directly on the Egyptian projects.

The reception provided an opportunity to meet key personnel involved with the power, telecom and water projects currently underway in Egypt.

Project personnel in attendance included repre-



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sentatives from the Egyptian Electricity Authority, Telecom Egypt (formerly ARENTO), U.S. Agency for International Development, Raytheon, Morrison Knudsen, GTE, REOL, General Electric, Toman, Aydin, MTS, Black & Veatch, AUC, Amoun, CEL, MKN, Lucent, Arab Engineering, ECG, Concord International, Orascom, Parsons, OSAF, CIB, Giza Cables, CDM, Artoc, EPS, and ECI.

With over 100 guests in attendance, it is not possible to print all of the wonderful photos taken, but we hope you will enjoy the collage presented below.

The entire K&M-Egypt staft joined in hosting a well-attended and enjoyable reception. It proved a valuable opportunity to make new acquaintences, put a name to a face, or simply recognize the contribution each participant is making toward growing the economy in Egypt. "We at K&M are honored by the participation by representatives of our Egyptian clients, colleagues, and other friends at this welcome reception -including many who set aside other important activities to attend. Their courtesy reinforces our commitment to provide them with the outstanding services which they deserve and have come to rely upon," remarked K&M senior vice president Bill Drotleff.











In The News continued

JORDAN

K&M Jordan BOT Consulting Project

Reuters "Jordan First Private Power Plant Award in November 1999" May

Middle East Economic Digest "First Private Power Plant Could Grow to 450 MW" May

Middle East Economic Digest "Private Capital Plugs in to Arab Power Projects" February

Middle East Economic Digest "Bidders Await Private Power Tender" February

KOREA

Korea Herald "Ssangyong to Build Power Plant with Foreign Capital: K&M/KMR/Marubeni Sign MOU" June

Financial Times "Ssanyong to Build Own Plant" June

VIETNAM

K&M Phu My II, Phase II BOT Consulting Project

Global Power Report "Six International Groups Submit Bids for 450-650MW Vietnam Project" April

Viet Nam News "Six bid for BOT Power Project" April

Power Economics "Vietnam to Issue Tender Documents for Private Sector Project" January/February

AWARDS/RANKINGS

Engineering News-Record Top 100 Construction Management Firms— K&M #46, June

Hispanic Business Top 50 High Tech Hispanic Firms— K&M 42, July/August Top 500 Hispanic Firms— K&M 242, June

Independent Energy "1997 Financial Rankings— Energy and Power Infrastructure"—KMR Power Corp., March

K&M Engineering and Consulting Corporation

S PEAKERS BUREAU

K&M/KMR executives participated in a variety of conferences, seminar roundtables, power delegation briefings, meetings and presentations. This offers opportunities to exchange ideas and share important experiences with counterparts, project developers and government officials throughout the world.

> K&M Launches **Brown Bag** Lunch Series

In May, K&M initiated a series of informal brown bag lunch discussions, open to all K&M employees, that highlight case studies of on-going projects pre-sented by project managers.

Organized by K&M senior financial analyst Maria Alessandri, these popular and well-attended luncheons have prompted lively and frank discussion about a wide range of projects that K&M is managing throughout the world in a broad range of sectors.

In May, John Kuspa presented a discussion of the BOT consulting project in Jordan, and John Rezaiyan gave us an overview of the Sector Analysis and Reform project in Ecuador.

In June, Henry Steingass presented case studies in Contract Negotiation highlighting K&M's projects in Tunisia, Côte d'Ivoire, and Togo, Bill Drotleff gave an overview of the KEPCO Illijan project in the Philippines, and Loren Rodwin discussed the Cavite Water project also n the Philippines.

All agreed that the forum was a valuable opportunity to share information about K&M projects with employees outside of the project team as well as present lessons learned that can be applied to future projects.

July

George Stockton, speaker Foreign Service Institute "Overview of International Project Development: Conception through Financial Closure" Sponsor: Business Council for International Understanding Arlington, Virginia, USA

Frank Staszesky, Jr., speaker WAM/ELWA '98 "Financing of Independent Power Projects in Emerging Markets" Ghana Chamber of Mines Accra, Ghana

June

Michael Kappaz, speaker Global Infrastructure Development "Allocating Completion Risk for Non-Recourse Project Finance: Regional Focus on Saudi Arabian and Egyptian Power Industry" Sponsor: Institute for Infrastructure Finance Sintra, Portugal

William Kappaz, speaker Korean Power Industry Restructuring and Independent Power Production "Independent Power Production in Korea: IPP Bid Process" Sponsor: U.S. Department of Commerce Seoul, Korea

April

John Rezaiyan, speaker Sixth Clean Coal Technology Conference "Clean Coal for the 21st Century: What Will It Take?" Topic: "Ahmedabad Electricity Company Integrated

Gasification Combined Cycle (IGCC) Project in India" Sponsor: U.S. Department of Energy Reno, Nevada, USA

March

Karen Harbert, attendee The New Latin American Instrastructure Story Sponsor: The Institute for Infrastructure Finance Buenos Aires, Argentina

Michael Kappaz, attendee InterAmerican Development Bank Conference Cartagena, Colombia

Michael Kappaz, speaker Power in Asia Topic: "Independent Power Projects in Asia: From 1990 Through the Millennium" Sponsor: Financial Times London, United Kingdom

Marty Tormey, speaker Power Finance China '98 Topic: "Competitive Bidding Process in Asia and Securing Commercial Financing" Sponsor: ICM Conferences Hong Kong, China

February

William Drotleff, speaker Global Projects Conference Competition and Infrastructure Financing Topic: "Clarifying the Key Criteria by Which Governments Evaluate Bids in Order to Develop Winning Cost-Effective Strategies for Bid Preparation" Sponsor: Global Projects Paris, France

OSP and K&M Collaborative Proposal for Telecom Egypt

n March, K&M-Egypt hosted a seminar for the net work planning proposal for Telecom Egypt at the Pyramisa Hotel in Cairo, with participation by over sixty individuals.

The seminar kicked off with welcoming remarks by K&M marketing director George Stockton, who previously held the position of resident manager for K&M-Egypt, and introduction of organizations related to the project, a general view of each organization and the project structure.

Following was a presentation by Dave Smith, OSP Manager, outlining scheduled milestones and how they could meet Telecom Egypt's needs. Then Ned



Left to right: Dave Smith (OSP manager), Hassan Abd Allah (proposed P.H. in Cairo), Yasser Bajan (proposed management supervisor), Ned Henson (MapCom)

Henson from MapCom explained the company's M4 Mapping product and how it can be utilized to serve the system.

A workshop was held on the second day which gave Telecom Egypt employees an opportunity to discuss details pertaining to the application of the technology to the system.

MEET OUR MANAGERS

JOSE KAPPAZ

General Manager

K&MST, LTDA.

Cartagena, Colombia

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SPECIALIZATION

Legal Advisor

Project

Management

Operations &

Maintenance

Quality

Control

"José Kappaz was a

true pioneer in

Colombia for the

Mamonal project. His

record of success

continues with

Termovalle, Termo-

candelaria and

Caribetell. His dedica-

tion, honesty and

leadership are an

outstanding example

of what K&M is all

about," remarked

K&M chairman

Michael Kappaz.

A s we honor the 5th anniversary of our K&M-Colombia office, it is fitting to pay tribute to the K&M manager who has so successfully overseen a growing portfolio of projects and activities in that country.

José Kappaz, an attorney, businessman and professor, joined K&M in 1992 at the launch of the **100 MW Mamonal I and II Power Projects**. As general manager of K&M Servicios Técnicos (Colombia), Ltda., Mr. Kappaz's extensive legal and administrative background proved extremely valuable as the company developed the first privately financed non-recourse power plant in Latin America. This project set the legal and regulatory framework for other independent power projects to follow in Colombia. Mr. Kappaz was instrumental in managing the Colombia side of activities leading to financial close of the transaction.

As construction began, he provided logistical support for the construction activities and served as in-country liaison to the project developer, KMR Power, during the start up and operation phase. Upon completion, Mr. Kappaz continues to oversee the operation and management contract for the Mamonal I and II Power Plants.

Since 1995, Mr. Kappaz has also been involved in the development of two new power projects, the 240 MW Termovalle Power Project in Cali, and the 330 MW Termocandelaria Power Project in Cartagena (profiled on pages 6-7).

In addition, he has served as legal representative to KMTel, assisting the newly formed company, **Caribetell**, to develop a new digital telecommunications system in Cartagena. Caribetell (*profiled on page 7*) is the first private telecommunications company to be launched in Cartagena.

Over the past five years Mr. Kappaz has been a frequent speaker at major international project development conferences presenting a case study of the Mamonal project, and has published essays on private law and high level management practices.

As K&M and KMR have developed additional projects in the power, telecommunications and water sectors in Colombia, Mr. Kappaz has been a valuable asset to those efforts. And, his contributions to the local business community are

significant. He is active in several organizations that are working to develop a strong, private sector driven economy in Colombia. He is a member of the Asociación Nacional de Industrias, Cámara de Comercio Colombo Americana y Cámara de Comercia de Cartagena, and a special repre-sentitative of the Generadors Privados al Consejo Nacional de Operación Energética.

Prior to joining K&M, Mr. Kappaz was a senior corporate executive, private practice attorney, independent businessman and professor.

From 1984-1992, Mr. Kappaz was the Administrative Division Chief and Head of the Law Department for Comfenalco Corporation, a private benefits provider to over 2,000 affiliated companies serving 15,000 employees. Benefits included medical, education, transportation and day care. He was also in charge of the education division, a program serving over 10,000 students.

Mr. Kappaz practiced civil and commercial law from 1978-1984 when he represen-ted national and multinational businesses, banks and financial institutions. From 1970-1978 he was the owner of men's clothing and shoe stores as well as a partner in a construction materials company. In addition, he was a professor private law for ten years at the universities of Cartagena, Technology and Jorge Tadeo Lozano.

He received his doctorate in law from the University of Cartagena, and has completed post-doctoral studies in business administration and international law.

Interamerican Development Bank Annual Meeting

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Kappaz with long-time friends, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Frank at the Inter-American Development Bank meeting in Cartagena, Colombia.



Left to right: Chafica Kappaz, Richard Frank, Michael Kappaz, and Irma Frank.

K&M Chairman Meets with President

I n July, K&M chairman Michael Kappaz, met with newly elected Colombian President Andres Pastrana. As part of a delegation representing the Colombia Business Partnership, Mr. Kappaz participated in a discussion regarding the business, investment, and security environment in Colombia.

With a new administration in place, it appears that prospects are very good for lowering the level of violence in Colombia that has greatly impacted business decisions and operations over the past decade.

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K&MWASHINGTON New Hires

Dominique Masse Financial Analyst

Ronald (Ron) A. Nestor Manager of Human Resources

Donald L. Purka Financial Analyst

Diane Carlson Senior Secretary (Transfer from KMR)

Pamela M. Howard Records Management

K&MWASHINGTON Promotions

Lenoid Golbin Chief Mechanical Engineer

K&MEGYPT New Hires

Romeo Velasco QC Manager Port Said Project

K&M COLOMBIA Five Year Awards

José Kappaz General Manager

Rafael Arrieta Driver

Tarcila Gómez Office Assistant

KMR POWER New Hires

Denis M. Slavich Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Maybelle M. Leszczuk Senior Accountant

Kurt R. Reuman Financial Analyst

Elizabeth Konrad Executive Assistant

KMR POWER Promotions

Wanjiku Njuguna Project Accountant

Maggie Tram General Ledger Clerk