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Porto Brasil multiproduct port engineering project

Global diversified engineering services group, Ausenco Limited (ASX: AAX) today announced its Sandwell business had executed a Conceptual and Basic Engineering contract for the proposed eleven berth multiproduct port, Porto Brasil in conjunction with Promon Engenharia Ltda of Brazil..

The new Porto Brasil, to be located south of Sao Paulo, is being designed to handle iron ore, bulk agricultural products, fertilizer, bulk liquid, and containers.

Sandwell's C\$12 million Porto Brasil conceptual, optimisation and basic engineering work to be undertaken for LLX Açú Operações Portuárias S.A. ("LLX") continues the work that Sandwell has been executing for LLX since 2006 at this significant cape sized South American port facility. Following this phase of work and approvals, port construction is expected to commence in 2009 and become operational by 2012.

Ausenco's Chief Executive Officer Zimi Meka said: "the contract award recognises the continuing valuable contribution that Sandwell, as a global leader in the provision of specialist port and marine engineering work, is providing to LLX. We are pleased that we are able to continue our work with LLX, a leading South American logistics company that is managing and developing a number of major port master plans including industrial parks, railway, and onshore and offshore port developments in both Brazil and Chile".

"Brazil, like Australia, has a number of multi-billion dollar port opportunities that Sandwell, together with the Ausenco group, will be targeting over the next 12 months. These opportunities are ideal projects that suit the broader group's 'pit to port' capabilities to deliver engineering and project management services to the global resources industry."

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About Ausenco Limited

Ausenco is a leading process engineering and project management services provider to the minerals and resource industries. Within the key resource industries Ausenco's global specialist expertise delivers innovative solutions for its clients across the full project lifecycle, from preliminary scoping studies, through innovative engineering to project operation.

Focused on delivering on its purpose and strategic growth initiatives, Ausenco is working to build upon its key minerals industry experience through project delivery and alliances to grow a sustainable business in the process infrastructure and related resource industries.

About LLX

LLX Açú Operações Portuárias S.A. ("LLX") is a subsidiary of LLX S/A, an EBX Group company. LLX, in addition to developing the Porto Brasil project, is presently constructing the Açú port facilities for the export of iron ore and other cargoes such as coal, steel and liquid bulk and is also developing a third port : LLX Sudeste which will be dedicated to iron ore.