



Press release

Nexans cables to reinforce Beijing's intra-city high voltage underground power cables

Nexans' turnkey XPPE cable solution installed in underground cables will support the future development and expansion of Beijing's power transmission infrastructure.

Contract value worth 11 million Euros

Paris, April 22, 2013 – Nexans, a worldwide expert in the cable industry, has been awarded an 11 million Euro contract by the State Grid Corporation of China (SGCC) to supply a high voltage power cable system that will help the Beijing Electric Power Corporation support the future development and extension of the power transmission infrastructure in China's capital city.

The new powerlink in the Haidian district, known as the 'Pilot project', will be Beijing's first intra-city installation of 500 kV cables using state-of-the-art XLPE (cross-linked polyethylene) insulation. Nexans will design, manufacture and install a 7 km circuit that will be laid in an underground tunnel, including the supply of all the related high voltage power accessories such as joints and terminations.

The single-core XLPE cable will feature Nexans' largest copper cross-section to date at 2,500 mm². A total of 21 km of cable will be laid as three separate 7 km lengths, one for each phase of the 3-phase electricity supply.

The Beijing project is set for completion towards the end of 2014.

Nexans Yanggu New Rihui, Nexans' recently acquired power cable business of Shandong Yanggu Cables Group, strengthens the Group position in China, by serving both the Chinese market and its customers with low, medium and high voltage power cables

"A key factor in winning this prestigious high voltage contract in Beijing was the successful delivery of a similar 500 kV project in Shanghai that was a vital customer reference," says Philippe Gastineau, Managing Director of Nexans Land High Voltage Business. "It is clear that Nexans is making a significant impact in the Chinese power infrastructure market due to our effective combination of local sales, service and manufacturing capabilities with the technical backup and expertise of the global Nexans organization".

About Nexans

With energy at the basis of its development, Nexans, worldwide expert in the cable industry, offers an extensive range of cables and cabling solutions. The Group is a global player in the energy transmission and distribution, industry and building markets. Nexans addresses a wide series of market segments: from energy and telecom networks to energy resources (wind turbines, photovoltaic, oil and gas or mining...) to transportation (shipbuilding, aerospace, automotive and automation, railways...).

Nexans is a responsible industrial company that regards sustainable development as integral to its global and operational strategy. Continuous innovation in products, solutions and services, employee development and commitment, customer orientation and the introduction of safe industrial processes with limited environmental impact are among the key initiatives that place Nexans at the core of a sustainable future.

With an industrial presence in 40 countries and commercial activities worldwide, Nexans employs 25,000 people and had sales in 2012 of 7.2 billion euros. Nexans is listed on NYSE Euronext Paris, compartment A.

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