

May 17, 2019 Marubeni Corporation

## Marubeni Corporation Finalizes Project Finance Agreement and Begins Construction of Shuqaiq 3 Independent Water Project in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Marubeni Corporation (hereinafter "Marubeni") is pleased to announce that in April 2019, Shuqaiq Three Company For Water, owned by Marubeni, Acciona Agua S.A. (hereinafter "Acciona"), Abdul Latif Jameel Commercial Development Company Ltd. (hereinafter "ALJ"), and Rawafid Alhadarah Holding Ltd. (hereinafter "Rawafid"), signed a limited-recourse financing loan agreement for the Shuqaiq 3 Independent Water Project (hereinafter "Project") in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (hereinafter "Saudi Arabia"). A Notice to Proceed has also been issued.

This loan agreement of approximately 500 million US dollars took the form of co-financing among six commercial banks, MUFG, Crédit Agricole Corporate and Investment Bank, The National Commercial Bank, The Norinchukin Bank, Samba Financial Group and Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation.

The Project includes the construction, operation, and maintenance of the RO based desalination plant which generates 450,000m<sup>3</sup> of water per day (supplied to a population of approximately 2 million) and the sale of water produced to Water and Electricity Company (hereinafter "WEC"). The water will be sold over the course of a 25-year term

Just as in other Gulf Cooperation Council countries, the demand for water in Saudi Arabia is increasing rapidly as the economy and population of the country also grow. On the other hand, there is also demand for RO based desalination plants, which are independent and do not require a fire-based power plant for operation, reflecting the global trend towards renewable energy.

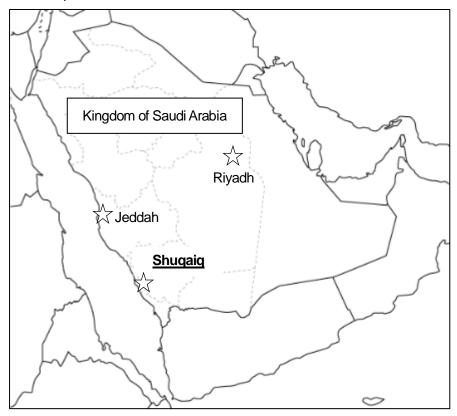
Marubeni will leverage its globally-accumulated knowledge and experience to fulfill its social responsibility by providing reliable and safe water services to people living in areas where access to water is scarce.

< Outline of Shuqaiq 3 Independent Water Project >

% interest in the SPC.	: Marubeni 45%, Acciona 10%, ALJ 30%, Rawafid 15%
Capacity	: 450,000m <sup>3</sup> /day
Commercial Operation Date	: Projected 2021
Off-taker	: WEC
Contract Period	: 25years

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• January 30th, 2019

Marubeni Corporation Enters into Long-Term Water Purchase Agreement for Shuqaiq 3 Independent Water Project in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

https://www.marubeni.com/en/news/2019/release/20190130E.pdf