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Press release

Power plant provider and operator Burmeister & Wain Scandinavian Contractor (BWSC) announces today that the company will adjust to focus on operation and maintenance (O&M) and service businesses going forward. BWSC will complete and deliver on all ongoing construction projects.

BWSC is an established global and leading Engineering Procurement and Construction (EPC) contractor of turnkey power plants within hybrid energy systems, biomass-to-energy and recently waste-to-energy. The company also has a long history as O&M and service provider and has grown this business to now account for approximately half of the company's turnover.

Rapid developments within the market for power production have slowed down decision processes related to investments, and new project developments are being postponed or cancelled due to shift of market focus and stagnant demand. The COVID-19 pandemic has a significant impact on these developments. "This means that we have not secured the orders we had expected. On top of this we have been impacted by a series of negative events including delay in orders, investments not yielding returns as expected and significant cost-overruns on recently delivered projects", says Nikolaj Holmer Nissen, CEO.

In respond to the market development BWSC and its owner have decided to change the strategic focus of the company.

Going forward "BWSC has decided to focus its efforts on continuation of the strong O&M and service business, where BWSC has grown to become a significant player in the market", says Nikolaj.

To achieve this profitable business going forward it is necessary to reduce cost significantly and unfortunately also to reduce the number of employees.

All ongoing EPC-projects will be completed by BWSC.

"EPC projects have historically represented the backbone of BWSC and is driven by dedicated entrepreneurial teams" says Nikolaj. "Going forward we will focus on growing our healthy O&M and service business. In the transition period we will be delivering all ongoing EPC-projects to our clients. By utilizing the same entrepreneurial spirit as in the past, we are looking forward to continue the cooperation with our valued partners and clients".

About BWSC

Burmeister & Wain Scandinavian Contractor A/S (BWSC) is an engineering and contracting company. We are project-oriented, specialising in the development, design, construction and operation of turnkey power plants and energy systems with ambitious goals within biomass-to-energy, waste-to-energy and hybrid solutions worldwide. We deliver operation, maintenance and service of power plants. The majority of the projects are supplied as turnkey plants, and BWSC has delivered more than 180 power plants to 54 countries worldwide with a total capacity of more than 4,100 MW. Currently, BWSC has on-going activities worldwide, including the UK, Japan, Sri Lanka,

Kenya, Benin, Mali, Suriname and India. In 2019, BWSC had a turnover of EURm 216, and the order backlog amounted to EURm 912 at end-2019. In February 2017, BWSC acquired the Danish boiler manufacturer Burmeister & Wain Energy (BWE) and thus secured its position as a leading energy company on the global market for small and medium-sized biomass power plants. BWSC originates from the stationary engine division of Burmeister & Wain (B&W), which has built and installed diesel engines since 1904. BWSC was established as a separate specialist company in 1980 and was acquired by Japanese Mitsui E&S Holdings Co., Ltd. in 1990.