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Weston Power Plant, Wisconsin

ABB has won a multimillion dollar contract from Wisconsin Public Service (WPS) to upgrade the control system at the Weston Unit 3 Power Plant at Rothschild, Wisconsin.

Enhancing efficiency and environmental performance

ABB has won an order from Enel, Italy’s largest power company and one of Europe’s leading utilities, to supply a Symphony Plus automation and control system for one of the units at the Grazia Deledda Sulcis power plant on the island of Sardinia, Italy.

Grazia Deledda Sulcis is a 590 MW coal-fired power plant near the town of Portoscuso on the southwestern coast of Sardinia. The plant comprises two units, each with a generating capacity of more than 240 MW. The existing control systems will be replaced with a total plant automation solution to enhance the unit’s efficiency and improve its environmental performance. The company is taking proactive measures to improve efficiency and reduce the environmental impact of its coal-fired power plants.

The new Symphony™ Plus solution includes the recently introduced HPC800 high-performance controller, burner management and flue gas desulfurization systems, instrumentation, a new control room and operator stations equipped with an intuitive and easy-to-use human machine interface.

The Grazia Deledda Sulcis power plant is located within the Sulcis Iglesiente basin, which contains Italy’s only coal deposits. The use of coal to generate electricity is expected to rise in coming years as Italy seeks to reduce its dependency on natural gas imports from Russia and Algeria. Around 52 percent of Italy’s electricity is generated with natural gas, which makes it one of the most heavily gas dependent countries in the European Union.

“We evaluated several bidders based on technology, experience, project implementation plan and cost. ABB proved to be the right choice for our project, based on those criteria.”

Drew Bain, Project Manager, WPS

The Symphony Plus plant automation system makes a significant contribution towards improving efficiency and lowering environmental impact by integrating multiple plant production and information systems into a single platform.
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