



NORTHERN MICHIGAN COMPANY AWARDED \$7 MILLION CONTRACT FOR WORK ON CLEAN AIR PROJECT AT CONSUMERS ENERGY'S J.H. CAMPBELL COMPLEX

WEST OLIVE, Mich., Oct. 23, 2009 – A northern Michigan company has been awarded a \$7 million contract for the fabrication of emissions reduction equipment to be installed at Consumers Energy's J.H. Campbell Complex in Ottawa County's Port Sheldon Township as part of a \$100 million project.

The project's main contractor, awarded the contract to Moran Iron Works, of Onaway.

Moran Iron Works will fabricate ductwork for 360 megawatt Campbell Unit 2 and build the casing for the selective catalytic reduction (SCR) device being installed on the generating unit. When put into service, the seven-story SCR will reduce nitrogen oxide emissions – which can contribute to the formation of smog when mixed with other airborne compounds in hot summer weather – by about 80 percent.

"Michigan businesses and workers can meet the highest quality standards in the world," said Tom Moran, president of Moran Iron Works. "This project comes at a good time for my business and the hundreds of workers and numerous businesses that will benefit from power plant-related projects such as this one."

The \$100 million emissions reduction project at the Ottawa County generating complex is part of Consumers Energy's "Growing Forward" plan, which calls for investing more than \$6 billion in its utility operations over the next five years. Those investments will help maintain and improve service to customers, create jobs, boost the Michigan economy, and expand the state's tax base.

Consumers Energy completed a similar SCR project with B&W PGG on its 843 megawatt Campbell Unit 3 in 2005. That was part of a \$488 million project that employed hundreds of construction workers for several months.

"The environment, energy and the economy all come together on this project and similar projects," said Jim Pomaranski, Consumers Energy's vice president of major projects and construction. "As a company and industry, we're working hard to do our part to help continue the trend of improving the air quality in Michigan and the nation. Our focus is on providing the reliable and affordable energy needed to serve our 1.8 million customers and power Michigan's economy in an environmentally responsible manner."

Guy Packard, the general manager of the Campbell complex, said Michigan Department of Environmental Quality statistics show that the state's air is the cleanest it has been in the modern age.

That environmental improvement reflects the substantial investments made by Consumers Energy and other companies in emissions reduction equipment, he added.

“The installation of this equipment is the latest in a series of major investments made by Consumers Energy to improve the environment. It will help sustain the trend of cleaner air that we’ve seen in Michigan since the 1970s,” Packard said. “Plus, having a Michigan company, such as Moran Iron Works, able to perform this specialized work provides a boost the state’s economy and makes the project doubly beneficial to the state.”

The J.H. Campbell Complex is comprised of three electric generating units capable of producing up to 1,440 megawatts of electricity, enough to support a community of a million people. The site has 340 employees.

Consumers Energy, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy (NYSE: CMS), provides natural gas and electricity to nearly 6.5 million of Michigan’s 10 million residents in all 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

Moran Iron works is a privately held corporation, specializing in industrial fabrication and custom welding, operating a dynamic and flexible fabrication facility in Onaway, Mich., that supplies custom welding and industrial fabrication products to a global market.

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