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Ansaldo Energia wins contract in Chile worth 75 million Euro

Ansaldo Energia, a Finmeccanica company and leading supplier of components and services for power generation plants, has won an important contract in Chile worth 75 million Euro.

AES, one of the biggest investors and operators of private power plants in the world, has confirmed its confidence in Ansaldo Energia, placing an order for three 270 MW steam turbines plus air generators for its plants in Campiche and Angamos, Chile.

The order was signed by POSCO E&C, EPC contractor for the two plants and a subsidiary of POSCO, the world's third-biggest steel company. POSCO E&C is taking on an increasing role as main EPC contractor for turnkey plants in South America.

The use of a 350 MVA air generator, which was developed entirely by Ansaldo Energia and which is owned by only a very few operators worldwide, brings undoubted advantages in terms of cost and ease of use compared with the hydrogen generators offered by other companies.