



Synectics Supports In Salah, In Amenas and Hassi R Mel Gas Fields

SHEFFIELD, UK – February 9, 2009 – Petrofac E&C International Ltd chose Synectics to provide the CCTV expansion solution based on our extensive knowledge and experience of the In Salah Site and existing CCTV system onsite.

Synectics will provide a large quantity of additional cameras and control equipment expanding the CCTV network to a total of 127 camera stations throughout the Reg, Teg and Krechba sites. This CCTV expansion will provide surveillance for the additional field compression facilities at each of these sites, ensuring In Salah can maintain plateau production rates of 9 billion cubic metres per year past 2009.

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Previous Upgrades

Synectics Industrial Systems has a successful partnership with the BP joint venture group operating the In Salah, In Amenas and Hassi R'Mel gas fields, previous CCTV installations were completed and delivered in 2003 and additional CCTV perimeter and control systems provided in 2007.

Thanks to the proven quality and robustness of the COEXTM camera stations already in place at these sites, In Salah Gas requested Synectics upgrade all the control stations for this large gas field to DVR capability in 2007. This will provide operators controlling COEXTM camera stations the ability to access recorded images quickly, allow archiving onto DVD's, offer larger storage capacity and cut down on maintenance requirements. The DVR upgrade will also allow the control system to be centralised over the network as part of future expansion plans.

Synectics also received a contract to supply perimeter CCTV surveillance and control systems for the Hassi R Mel field. This equipment was manufactured and delivered in Q3 2007.

Both the In Salah DVR Upgrade and Hassi R'Mel perimeter system was installed and commissioned during Q3 2007 by qualified and experienced Synectics engineers who, whilst onsite, also provided training to staff which included CCTV principles and basic maintenance.

In Salah Gas is the largest dry gas joint-venture project in the country. The venture involves the development of seven proven gas fields in the southern Sahara, 1,200km south of Algiers. On-stream since July 2004, the project produces around 9 billion cubic metres of gas a year. In Salah is also the world's first full-scale carbon dioxide capture project at a gas field. Around 1 million tonnes of CO₂ will be injected into the reservoir each year.

Combined, the In Salah and In Amenas (also a BP joint venture) projects will produce 75% of the forecasted increase in Algeria's gas export capacity by 2010. The giant Hassi R'Mel gas field has proven reserves of over 100 trillion cubic feet of gas.

About Synectic Systems, Inc.

Synectic Systems, Inc. (Synectics), a wholly owned subsidiary of UK-based Quadnetics Group Plc, is an engineering, integration and manufacturing company with expertise in IT and networked systems, CCTV control systems, enterprise DVR and command control software applications. Quadnetics is listed on the Alternative Investment Market (AIM) of the London Stock Exchange.

Synectics' unparalleled ability to deploy custom digital surveillance solutions that integrate with existing legacy systems and future technologies has established them as a market leader in the Middle East, the UK, Europe and North America.