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Market Overview

Environmental management and pollution control is an increasingly important and prominent sector nowadays, particularly in light of global attention to issues of resource sustainability and protection. Over the years, Portugal has made progress with respect to a number of international environmental issues. Although Portugal still lags in terms of tackling some environmental problems in the EU, the Portuguese Government continues to improve and highlight the importance of progress to promote a cleaner and sustainable environment in Portugal. The Portuguese demand for innovative environmental equipment and services is expected to continue to be high during the next three to five years.

The consolidated environmental protection expenditure (EPE) of the Portuguese Government in 2007 was around \$1.32 billion, a growth of 7% compared with previous year. The sales volume for producers of environmental goods and services reached \$5.79 billion in 2007, of which about 19% was under "Collection, Purification and Distribution of Water".

Investments in environmental infrastructure through EU and national programs have been the centerpieces of environmental progress in Portugal. In 2007, the Portuguese Government approved the following programs:

- PERSU II - Plano Estratégico para os Resíduos Sólidos Urbanos (National Strategic Plan for Urban Solid Waste) 2007/2016 - with an investment of \$2.74 billion focusing in areas such as valorization of organic waste and improvement of the selective collection systems.
- PEAASAR II - Plano Estratégico de Abastecimento de Água e Saneamento de Águas Residuais (National Strategic Plan for Water Supply and WasteWater Systems) 2007/2013 – with an investment of \$5.48 billion used for project development, infrastructure, setup and equipment supply and construction supervision and management of related projects.
- ENEAPAI - Estratégia para Efluentes Agro-Pecuários e Agro-Industriais (Strategy for Agro-Industrial and Pig Farming Effluents) 2007/2013 – with an investment of \$794 million.

Other programs are currently being developed and are expected to be approved soon, such as:

- Estratégia Nacional de Resíduos Industriais (National Strategy for Industrial Waste)
- Plano Estratégico de Resíduos Hospitalares (Strategic Plan for Hospital Waste)
- Plano Nacional de Resíduos (National Plan for Waste)
- Estratégia Nacional de Prevenção de Resíduos Sólidos Urbanos (National Strategy to Avoid Urban Solid Waste)

As these efforts continue, the Portuguese market for environmental equipment, technology and services will have strong growth potential over the next several years.

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