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Caverion has signed an agreement on services related to increasing the power capacity of Kemijoki Oy's Seitakorva hydropower plant. The project includes the renewal of the plant's machinery and related electricity and automation systems and covers project management and project execution. As the main contractor in the project, Caverion is responsible for design of overhauls, industrial installations and management on site, among other tasks.

The project is part of the more extensive power capacity increase and basic overhaul of Kemijoki Oy's machinery. In addition to productivity, the investments improve the usability and environmental footprint of the plants.

Preparations for the project site are already underway. The installation work will commence in late summer and is due for completion in November 2014. Approximately fifty Caverion employees will take part in the installation work, representing the company's strong competence in the industry client segment.

"The Seitakorva project is an excellent opportunity for our units in Northern Finland to demonstrate and utilise Caverion's expertise," says Erkki Huusko, Managing Director of Caverion Industria Ltd.

"The project is of high significance for Kemijoki Oy as it will make Seitakorva's machinery one of the largest hydropower machines generating balancing power in Finland. In the new turbine rotation wheel water is now the lubricant instead of oil, making the plant increasingly eco-friendly," says Tuomas Timonen, President and CEO of Kemijoki Oy.

"The joint project deepens our strategic partnership with Caverion. It combines the expertise of both companies and thus strengthens competence," continues Timonen.

Kemijoki Oy is the most significant generator of hydropower in Finland. The company owns 20 hydropower plants, of which 16 are located in the Kemijoki water system, two in Lieksanjoki and two in Kymijoki. In addition, it regulates the Lokka and Porttipahta reservoirs and Kemijärvi and Olkkajärvi. The total power rating of the power plants exceeds 1,100 MW. In 2013, the company's hydropower plants generated electric energy to a total of 4,148 gigawatthours, which was approximately one third of the domestic electricity generated through hydropower.

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