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High performance Tasman Tanks adopted for major water recycling initiative

High performance bolted steel tanks from the Tasman Tank company are to be used throughout the reservoir system of one of Australasia's major water recycling projects, the \$100 million Rosehill-Camellia Recycled Water Scheme in Sydney.

The tanks – up to 5.632 million litres capacity, with larger types featuring the advanced LIQ Fusion FBE™ baked-on fusion coated tank protection system from Tank Connection – are the same extended lifespan design being adopted throughout Australasia for large-scale municipal and industrial applications.

These include desalination plants, food and beverage processing plants (including the new Bluetongue Brewery) and major infrastructure and industrial projects, including mining and energy projects, in capacities up to 30 megalitres.

“The same advantages that are making bolted steel attractive for major infrastructure and resources projects – including modularity, speed of erection and leak-free durability over decades of service – make them very attractive for the Rosehill-Camellia scheme,” said Tasman Tank Company General Manager Mr Jason McLauchlan. He said Tasman had progressively finalized contracts for all seven reservoir tanks for the scheme, which will initially deliver 4.3 billion litres of recycled water a year to industrial and irrigation customers in Western Sydney.

Construction of the first tanks has already begun on the stage one of the Rosehill-Camellia scheme, which is to be built, owned, operated and maintained by two private operators, AquaNet Sydney Pty Ltd (a Jemena company) and Veolia Water Australian behalf of Sydney Water. Jemena will construct and operate the recycled water distribution system, with Veolia Water constructing and operating the water recycling plant.

The high quality recycled water scheduled to be produced from July 2011 for industrial customers and parks will reduce demand on Sydney's drinking water supply. The project - an important part of the NSW Government's 2006 Metropolitan Water Plan - will include:

* A new water recycling plant at Fairfield, where Tasman Tanks has already begun construction of 3.0 million litre feed balance and recycled water tanks, each of which features the new generation proprietary LIQ Fusion 7000 FBE coating. The coating is approved for potable drinking water with NSF-61 international Standard approval. It is unmatched compared with all bolted and welded tank linings, says Mr McLauchlan.

* A new recycled water distribution network from Fairfield to Rosehill and Smithfield and new recycled water storage reservoirs at Guildford and Rosehill. Tasman Tank Co will provide a 1.5 million litre storage reservoir at Woodville and a 5.632 litre reservoir at Rosehill, both of which will be FBE protected. It will also provide three liner-protected tanks, including a 325,000-litre feed balance tank, an 180,000 litre permeate tank and a 1.072 million litre detention tank, all of which are involved in the processing and purification of sewage.

“The specifying of bolted steel tanks for this Sydney Water project is a first for Sydney Water, and demonstrates Tasman Tank's versatility across the spectrum of municipal and industrial infrastructure, “ said Mr McLauchlan, whose company produces more than 200 large tanks a year including new generation circular heavy duty bolted tanks up to 30 megalitres capacity featuring the protection of the FBE baked-on tank coating system.

Introduction of the system is the result of an alliance between The Tasman Tank Co with the internationally respected Tank Connection group and Akzo Nobel, the world's largest powder coat supplier, to supply the local market with the LIQ Fusion FBE™ bonded system for its TC-D103 circular rolled tapered plate (RTP) tanks. Tasman Tanks is an affiliate of the Tank Connection Group. The technology complements Tasman's existing highly regarded range of storage solutions.

“Tank Connection technology delivers the best bolted water containment systems available anywhere, with optimum performance for potable water, industrial liquids, waste water, effluent, raw water, demineralised water, process water and anaerobic digesters,” says Mr McLauchlan.

Bolted steel tanks - which can be speedily erected on-site by Tasman Tanks’ specifier, design, fabricate and construct teams - are widely applicable to the mining, energy, resources, manufacturing, government and infrastructure, engineering, food, beverage and chemical processing, primary production, water and waste water and fire protection markets.

Speed of construction is a major advantage of bolted steel tanks, with off-site prefabrication and modularization reducing on-site time and lessening the prospect of weather interruptions during construction. This can be particularly important to major infrastructure and resources projects, where delays can be very costly.

Tasman Tank Co is a recognised leader in the quality tank building industry, with in-house design, manufacture and installation expertise for prompt and professional performance. Each Tasman Tank is certified to all relevant codes, with independent engineers providing verification of specifications and performance. The company provides cost-effective storage solution in capacities from kilolitres (KL) to 30 megalitres (ML). Tasman Tank Co also specializes in turnkey projects and service and refurbishment work through its dedicated Service and Refurbishment Division

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