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Parsons Brinckerhoff strengthens power management team

London, United Kingdom (04 February 2011) - International engineering consultancy Parsons Brinckerhoff (PB) has strengthened its management team with the appointment of Dr Sean McGoldrick as Director of Power Networks for the Europe, Middle East and Northern Africa regions.

He joins PB from EirGrid plc, a leading Irish energy business, where he was the General Manager of the Single Electricity Market Operator, Ireland.

In his new position, Dr McGoldrick will have responsibility for expanding the power networks business in developing and developed countries, whether modernising existing networks or connecting new forms of generation to customers. A large part of his remit will be associated with helping PB to become closer to existing clients and to establish relationships with new clients.

PB's current network-sector projects include the East West Interconnector (Ireland); the Ethiopia-Djibouti Power Interconnection Project; and the Rabai-Lamu Transmission Project (Kenya).

Dr McGoldrick is well known in the UK and international transmission markets, with over 20 years' experience in research and development, construction, operation and trading activities associated with large-scale power systems. He has worked and consulted for transmission system operators and regulators in Ireland, England, Greece, Canada, Guyana, Croatia, Kazakhstan, Kosovo, Georgia and Cyprus. He has acted as consultant on many EU, World Bank and EBRD funded projects and has an excellent knowledge of funding agency policies and procedures.

After two years as a research engineer with the CEGB, Dr McGoldrick spent 16 years with ESB International, where he was promoted to a number of management roles prior to joining EirGrid. This culminated in his role as Executive Director Commercial & Regulatory when he transformed the Kosovan power utility KEK into a financially sustainable and market-driven company able to provide a reliable power supply to its consumers.

He graduated from Trinity College, Dublin, with a BA in Mathematics, a BAI in Engineering, and a PhD in Molecular Physics. He is based in PB's office in Newcastle upon Tyne.



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