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PARSONS BRINCKERHOFF APPOINTED PROGRAM MANAGER FOR QATAR INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS

DOHA, QATAR — Parsons Brinckerhoff has been appointed the program management consultant to Ashghal, the public works authority of Qatar, for a QAR 30 billion (US \$8 billion) program focusing on the construction and upgrade of local road and drainage projects throughout the country over a five-year period. The award was announced by Minister of Municipality and Urban Planning Sheikh Abdulrahman Bin Khalifa Al-Thani.

Parsons Brinckerhoff will have overall responsibility for management and coordination of all interfaces with Ashghal and its stakeholders, the management and coordination of the Ashghal supply chain, and the development of a logistic and supply strategy with Ashghal and the various construction contractors appointed to deliver the physical infrastructure. Parsons Brinckerhoff will also oversee general engineering consultants for each of five geographic zones comprising Qatar.

Ashghal's President, Nasser Al Mawlawi, said the program will offer the citizens of Qatar the best infrastructure the world has to offer in a timely and organized manner. "Over the last year, we have enhanced Ashghal's capabilities and changed our procurement and outsourcing strategy to focus on quality, certainty of delivery, and performance management," he said.

"We are honored to partner with Ashghal in delivering a program of infrastructure improvements that will help Qatar achieve its national vision," said George J. Pierson, President and CEO of Parsons Brinckerhoff. "We look forward to committing the full resources of Parsons Brinckerhoff to achieve Ashghal's goals for quality, efficiency and timeliness in the delivery of road and drainage infrastructure."

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