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CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR 480 MW OF BASE GENERATING CAPACITY ACQUIRED

Mott MacDonald Ireland Limited (MMI) has been selected to provide consultancy services for the evaluation of 480 MW of base generating capacity on a Build Own and Operate (BOO) basis.

The official agreement was signed recently at the Ministry of Energy and Mining's Trafalgar Road offices and is part of the Jamaica Energy Security and Efficiency Enhancement Project which is funded by the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD).

In expressing gratitude for this initiative, Permanent Secretary in the Ministry, Ms. Hillary Alexander said "the assistance we receive from the World Bank and our other international partners is a step in the right direction. [This initiative] is fully aligned to our National Energy Policy 2009-2030 and we welcome the assistance to the country and the assistance from the World Bank in particular."

MMI Limited will be charged with the responsibility for evaluating bids for providing new generating capacities amounting to 480 MW to the National Electric Grid. This new capacity will be a base load and is intended for the replacement of approximately 292 MW of old and inefficient plants with the remainder to provide for load growth.

This will result in the addition of new and very efficient generating capacity for the country.

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