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AEA Energy & Environment build reputation in Russia through new energy efficiency work

AEA Energy & Environment is building its reputation in Russia with the award of an extended energy efficiency study from the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development ('EBRD') and the successful conclusion of a science and technology commercialization project on behalf of the European Commission.

EBRD has extended an existing contract with AEA by to allow a study of the opportunities for energy savings in 500 energy intensive Russian companies. The work, together with existing industrial energy efficiency audits undertaken for EBRD by AEA, will provide base information for an energy efficiency investment programme in Russia by EBRD over the next few years.

In addition, the European Commission sponsored 'Science and Technology Commercialisation, Russia' project came to a successful conclusion. AEA Energy and Environment has been working with economic development specialists from European partner companies Inno AG and TNO since 2004 to build innovation policy formulation capacity within the Russian federal government and to help establish and train the staff of seven technology commercialisation centres located throughout the country.

The work took AEA consultants to Moscow, St Petersburg, Rostov-on-Don, Stavropol, Ekaterinburg, Tomsk and Vladivostok, developing marketing and sales, technology auditing, intellectual property, new product development and investment management skills amongst local commercialisation staff.

Mark Allington, Deputy Sales Director of AEA Energy and Environment said:

'AEA's work on energy efficiency and technology commercialisation issues in Russia is growing. The demand for our services is high and we believe we are making a real difference for the Russian organisations that we advise.

'The opportunities to make energy efficiency improvements are huge – in energy production, in industrial consumption and in domestic energy provision. With EBRD's support AEA has been auditing industrial premises, recommending energy efficiency improvements and training Russian managers on how these can be implemented.

'In addition, Russia has an array of intellectual assets but currently lacks the infrastructure and processes to bring them effectively to the commercialisation stage. AEA's expertise in this area will be invaluable in helping to put these structures in place.'

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