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Leighton Contractors Wins Pluto LNG Site Preparation Project in WA

Leighton Contractors has secured a \$163M contract to undertake site preparation bulk earthworks at the new Burrup Liquid Natural Gas (LNG) Park site on Western Australia's Burrup Peninsula near Karratha.

The project has been awarded by Woodside Burrup Pty Ltd and forms part of the first phase of works to ultimately develop a new onshore LNG processing plant to support Pluto and other regional gas fields.

Peter McMorrow, Managing Director of Leighton Contractors, said that the skills and experience of our people remain key factors in winning new work.

"The award of this site preparation contract for Woodside highlights our ability to mobilise people and equipment within a tight labour market and timeframe," McMorrow said.

Site preparation and earthworks are scheduled to commence this month and continue through until third quarter 2008. The project involves drill and blast, load and haul, placement and compaction, and crushing and screening works.

Ray Sputore, General Manager of Leighton Contractors' Western Australian construction operations said that this contract reflects well on the company's ability to service the rapidly expanding resources and energy sector.

"Leighton Contractors worked with Woodside over two decades ago to complete civil works for the Northwest Shelf Development on the Burrup Peninsula. At the time, this landmark project was one of the largest earth moving tasks in Australia and laid the foundations for future development of the Burrup," he said.

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