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Subject **Hertel Modern awarded major contract on Gorgon Project**

Malaga based Hertel Modern has been awarded a contract for the delivery of Paint, Insulation and Fireproofing Services on the Chevron-operated Gorgon Project.

The estimated value of the contract is \$90 million over a three-year period, with work due to commence in early 2012.

Hertel Modern Managing Director, Andrew White, said the significant award would result in about 200 local jobs, including 20 trainee positions, spread across Barrow Island, the Australian Marine Complex in Henderson and the company's facilities in Malaga.

"The award of this important contract to our Malaga based company is a great boost for our workforce and will benefit not only our growth but also our suppliers in the area," Mr White said.

"Our experts will be able to train new workers in the highly specialised areas of cryogenic insulation and fireproofing applications. It will also help us grow our capability and develop the reputation gained in the Australian LNG industry since the early 1980's."

The Malaga facility, one of the largest sheet metal fabrication facilities in WA, will cut and prepare most of the materials for installation on equipment and modules at the Henderson base and then complete final installation and interconnections on site at Barrow Island.

Mr White said Hertel Modern has developed a strong safety culture and a long-term outlook to be an employer of choice for workers and the contractor of choice for owners and operators of LNG facilities across the country.

“I am confident this work will further build our company’s expertise and enhance its prospects beyond construction of the Gorgon Project,” Mr White said.

The Gorgon Project is one of the world's largest natural gas projects and the largest single resource project in Australia's history. It is operated by Chevron and is a joint venture of the Australian subsidiaries of Chevron (approximately 47%), ExxonMobil (25%), Shell (25%), Osaka Gas (1.25%), Tokyo Gas (1%) and Chubu Electric Power (0.417%).

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Editor’s note: Hertel Modern is a multi-discipline maintenance and construction services organisation operating in the industrial and resources, offshore, infrastructure and the commercial building sector. We are a home grown, Western Australian business and have been operating successfully for over 30 years, with involvement on many of the landmark developments in Western Australia.

Initially sought after in Western Australia for our solutions in the sheet metal, HVAC and ducting design, manufacture and installation works, we have also built an enviable track record in Australia and South East Asia for our construction and maintenance services to the mining, energy, oil and gas industries.

Our cryogenic insulation experience and services to the LNG industry is well recognised and highly valued by our key blue chip clients in Australia and South East Asia.

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