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**Contractors SUEZ and Megawide, start construction for
Manila Water's Aglipay Sewage Treatment Plant**

Mandaluyong City, Metro Manila – On 24 February 2021, Manila Water, together with [SUEZ](#), a leader in sustainable environmental services; Philippine engineering and infrastructure innovator Megawide; officials of the Metropolitan Waterworks and Sewerage System; and officials from the City of Mandaluyong, held the groundbreaking ceremony for Manila Water's Aglipay Sewage Treatment Plant in Mandaluyong City, Metro Manila.

The consortium of SUEZ and Megawide will undertake the design and build the sewage treatment plant which will have a daily capacity of 60,000 m³, with Megawide undertaking all civil works for the project. This marks the first project of Megawide with Manila Water and its first collaboration with SUEZ. The sewage treatment plant will treat wastewater in Mandaluyong City, southern Quezon City, and southern San Juan City and significantly enhance the health and sanitary conditions of more than 650,000 residents.

Francois Fervier, CEO of Water, SUEZ Asia, said: "SUEZ is committed to preserving the environment and restoring our natural capital. This partnership between Manila Water, Megawide and SUEZ provides a strong foundation for this project and will significantly enhance the water quality, hygiene and sanitation for the population in Metro Manila by 2037. We will continue to support cities in the Philippines to cope with its water treatment challenges with our innovations and worldwide expertise in water treatment."

"We are honored to work on this project with Manila Water and SUEZ as we believe it will help bring higher standards of water quality and sanitation to Metro Manila," said Edgar Saavedra, Megawide Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. "Megawide is committed to partnering with experts such as SUEZ to help deliver first-world industrial EPC projects for our clients and the country," he continued.

SUEZ will apply its innovative Meteor™ Moving Bed Biofilm Reactor (MBBR) and Greendaf™ technologies to help cut operating costs and installation space compared to conventional methods. The plant will meet stringent national standards exceeding EU requirements to reduce adverse impact on Manila Bay and Pasig River and environmental footprint. This MBBR plant will also be the biggest of its kind in the country.

Megawide's construction business remains a significant contributor and a major organic revenue driver for the Group. The fully-integrated and agile nature of operations enables it to shift to high-demand segments, like infrastructure projects, amid the softness in private property development due to the pandemic. The Company intends to leverage on its pre-cast technology advantage and vertically-integrated platform to participate in big-ticket projects to anchor its pivot to infrastructure.
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Manila Water, together with SUEZ, Megawide, MWSS officials and Mandaluyong City officials, held the groundbreaking ceremony for Aglipay STP last February 24, 2021

About SUEZ in Asia:

With a strong presence of 60+ years in South East Asia and 45+ years in Greater China, SUEZ is a preferred partner in helping authorities and industrial clients develop water and waste management solutions that enable cities and industries to optimize their resource management and strengthen their environment and economic performances. With 9,000+ employees and 70+ joint ventures with local partners, the Group has built 600+ water and wastewater plants, with 32+ million people benefiting from our water and waste services. Today, SUEZ is recognized as one of the most influential companies and a service benchmark in leading the region's environmental industry. We operate China's first PPP water contract in Macau, one of Asia's largest hazardous waste treatment facilities in Shanghai, as well as a plastic recycling plant in Thailand. It is also a leader in Hong Kong's waste management industry and delivers environmental services to 21 industrial parks.

About Megawide:

Megawide is one of the leading infrastructure and engineering innovators in the Philippines. Publicly-listed since 2011, Megawide is the leading contractor for private sector construction projects in the country. It is the private partner of the Philippine Government for flagship infrastructure projects such as the development of the Mactan-Cebu International Airport (MCIA) and the Paranaque Integrated Terminal Exchange (PITX). Megawide is also the construction partner for the Clark International Airport New Passenger Terminal Building. In 2012, the Company established Megawide Corporate Foundation, Inc., a non-profit organization focusing on social development projects.