

Bosnia: Tender for supervisory services for TPP Banovici project launched

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Coalmine (RMU) Banovici has launched a tender for the selection of supervisory authority over the implementation of the Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) contract for thermal power plant Banovici, under the turnkey system.

Selected company will audit and supervise preparation of the documentation from the EPC contract, construction site, plant production and equipment, and delivery of equipment for the future 350 MW TPP Banovici. The estimated value of the supervisory contract is around 7 million euros. The deadline for the submission of offers is 14 March 2019.

In late 2018, Director of RMU Banovici Muamer Cergic reiterated that the construction of TPP Banovici is a strategic project and a priority for the company. He said that the construction of this coal-fired TPP should start in 2019. He reminded that, due to compliance with EU standards, two units at TPP Tuzla will be shut down, as well as another two units at TPP Kakanj, adding that without the timely construction of unit 7 at TPP Tuzla, unit 8 at TPP Kakanj and TPP Banovici there will be no stable electricity supply in the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina (FBiH).

EPBiH plans to build a new 350 MW thermal power plant near Banovici coalmine, which also supplies coal to TPP Tuzla. The cost of the project is estimated at some 500 million euros, where the unit was initially supposed to be completed during 2018, but the start of the construction was delayed. The future unit and its output will be owned by the RMU Banovici. It is the largest and most profitable coalmine in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The offer of Chinese company Dongfang Electric Corporation Limited was selected as the best at the tender which concluded in mid-2015. Dongfang was involved in the construction of coal-fired TPP Stanari in the Republic of Srpska as a contractor. In late 2017, The Government of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina (FBiH) approved the energy permit for the future plant.