

## **Bulgaria: A bid for desulfurization unit contract for TPP Maritsa East 3**

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In order to have an offer submitted for the modernization of desulfurization unit, Bulgarian coal-fired thermal power plant Maritsa East 3, owned and operated by US company ContourGlobal, said that it has invited German company Steinmuller Engineering to bid. This a contract is worth some 3 million euros.

According to the statement from the company, the modernization project envisages the delivery of equipment needed to enhance the efficiency of the lignite-fired TPP's desulfurization units 1 and 2 to over 97 %. Steinmuller Engineering has until 11 January to submit the offer.

ContourGlobal Maritsa East 3 owns and operates the first lignite coal-fired thermal power plant in southeastern Europe, which operates in full compliance with the highest European standards for occupational safety and environmental protection. The 908 MW plant generates about 10 % of the electricity in Bulgaria, using local energy sources and thus contributes to guaranteeing the energy security and independence of the country. The plant produced 11 % of Bulgaria's electricity in 2019 (4.55 TWh).