

Wärtsilä's largest oil-fuelled engine power plant inaugurated

The 267.4 MW Pavana III power plant in Honduras, Central America, was inaugurated on 28 January 2005. In a ribbon cutting ceremony and reception, Honduran President Ricardo Maduro officially inaugurated the plant, built by Wärtsilä for Luz y Fuerza de San Lorenzo S.A. (Lufussa), which is one of the world's largest heavy fuel (HFO) plants using reciprocating engines.

“Lufussa’s investment in the Pavana III project, 190 million US dollars, is the

largest private investment ever in the history of Honduras,” President Maduro stated.

Mr Schucry Kafie, President of Lufussa, said, “We are very proud to have chosen Wärtsilä as our business partners in helping us develop this huge project. Their dedication and technical professionalism is the best you can get in this field.”

Mr Pekka Ahlqvist, Group Vice President, Power Plants of Wärtsilä Corporation, stated: “We are very happy to have had the opportunity to

demonstrate our state-of-the-art technology and engineering services, as well as to arrange the 87 million dollar loan sponsored by Finnvera.”

The 450 persons at the inauguration ceremony and reception included numerous Honduran government officials, the Finnish Ambassador Inger Hirvela-Lopez, representatives of various regional and local banks which participated in the financing of the project, and many Honduran business people. ■



Aerial view of the Pavana III power plant in Honduras.



Honduran President Ricardo Maduro giving his speech.



President Maduro and Honduran business people starting the plant.