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## Press Release

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### **Bilfinger to carry out pioneering district heating project in Germany's Ruhr area**

Bilfinger is building a district heating pipeline from the city of Datteln to the existing district heating grid on behalf of Uniper. The 13.5 kilometer pipeline runs from the newly constructed Datteln 4 power plant via Castrop-Rauxel to Recklinghausen where it will be connected to the district heating grid. The order has a volume of €25 million and is being carried out by the company Bilfinger VAM Anlagentechnik.

Bilfinger will assume responsibility for execution planning, delivery and installation of the piping systems as well as for the connection to the district heating grid. "We are very happy to be involved in one of the biggest district heating projects in recent years. We are making an important contribution to energy efficiency and thus to climate protection in Germany", says Klaus J. Schmitz, Executive President of the Power division.

The new Datteln 4 power plant will already achieve a high degree of efficiency with pure electric power generation. Here, electricity and heat are generated applying the principle of combined heat and power, reducing fuel consumption and increasing energy efficiency. Overall, the Datteln 4 plant can avert several 100,000 tons of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions per year through district heating generation.

The Power business, which generated an output volume of €1.3 billion in 2015 with about 10,000 employees, has been put up for sale and is presented in the Bilfinger Group as discontinued operations.

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