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## UGL announces NWRL contract award and provides an update on DTZ sale

- **UGL a member of consortium awarded \$3.7 billion operations contract to deliver North West Rail Link – Australia's biggest public transport project**
- **Sale of DTZ is progressing well towards an anticipated completion in the last quarter of the 2014 calendar year**

**Sydney:** UGL Limited (ASX:UGL) announced today the New South Wales Government has awarded Northwest Rapid Transit Consortium (NRT) the \$3.7 billion operations contract to deliver the North West Rail Link – Australia's largest public transport project.

The NRT Consortium comprises UGL, MTR Corporation, John Holland Group, Leighton Contractors and Plenary Group.

As part of a public private partnership with the New South Wales Government, NRT will design, build, finance and operate the new rapid transit service. It will service a 36 kilometre route between Rouse Hill and Chatswood, delivering Australia's first fully automated rapid transit system. When operations commence in the first half of 2019, NRT will operate 15 trains per hour during peak periods; a train every 4 minutes.

UGL maintains a 40 per cent share in a joint venture with MTR Corporation to design and deliver the tunnel systems, rolling stock, rail signalling and overall control systems. A new generation of fully automated rapid transit trains and automated train control systems will be delivered by international train manufacturer Alstom. The fleet will be based on the Metropolis train in service globally across locations including Paris, Singapore, Dubai and Hong Kong.

Operations and maintenance of the service will be undertaken by UGL, MTR Corporation and John Holland over 15 years. UGL will maintain a 20 per cent share of this joint venture.

UGL Managing Director and CEO, Richard Leupen said: "The North West Rail Link project provides critical public transport infrastructure to the rapidly growing north western region of Sydney. We are very pleased to be joining our established partners MTR Corporation and John Holland, along with Leighton Contractors and Plenary Group to deliver a safe, fast and reliable service to the commuters of Sydney.

“Securing this contract with New South Wales Government demonstrates UGL’s market leading position in delivering complex engineering solutions for major tunnel projects and rail passenger networks in capital cities.

“We welcome the opportunity to extend the successful performance by UGL and our Metro Trains Melbourne consortium partners to this innovative project in Sydney.

“In addition, UGL is currently preferred bidder for some of Australia’s largest public infrastructure projects and is also short listed or preferred for several key LNG maintenance projects.

“Together these major new infrastructure based opportunities promise to underpin a solid trading outlook for UGL into 2015 and beyond.

## **DTZ Sale Update**

“Given solid progress with regulatory approvals and other conditions precedent, the sale of DTZ is progressing well towards an estimated completion in the fourth quarter of calendar 2014.”

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