

# Media Release

## **Bovis Lend Lease to Modernise Mulwala Propellant Manufacturing Facility**

ADI Limited has selected Bovis Lend Lease as the preferred tenderer for the \$200M-plus contract to redevelop the Department of Defence's propellants manufacturing facility at Mulwala in southern New South Wales.

Bovis Lend Lease's proposal is to refurbish key existing buildings built in the early 1940s, and construct 30 new buildings for the manufacturing of propellants, operational support and administration over a four-year period. The redevelopment will be conducted over an area of about 120 hectares.

ADI Limited, a major Australian defence and technology company, is pursuing a Public Private Partnership model of delivery for this facility. Bovis Lend Lease's experience in this procurement model, both domestically and internationally, is a major strength.

The Mulwala facility supplies military-grade propellants and high explosives to ADI's Benalla ammunition manufacturing facility in northern Victoria. It is owned by the Commonwealth Government and operated by ADI, and employs more than 360 people on site.

Bovis Lend Lease's Asia Pacific Chief Executive, Mr Murray Coleman, said: "The modernisation will ensure that the Australian Defence Force has a locally made supply of world-class munitions for the next 20 years and a manufacturing facility that complies with stringent safety and environmental standards, including the reduction of atmospheric emissions."

Bovis Lend Lease will partner with the US-based defence products company ATK Thiokol to provide the propellant production design, critical equipment and support for production start-up, product qualification and performance testing for the facility.

ATK Thiokol Inc. President Ron Dittmore said: "We are very excited by this project and the opportunity to work closely with Bovis Lend Lease and ADI Limited."

Bovis Lend Lease is proud of its long history with Defence in Australia including the successful delivery of 20 major projects during the past 10 years. Bovis Lend Lease has also emerged as a leading player in the Defence sector in both the United States and the United Kingdom.

"Bovis Lend Lease is committed to delivering innovative, value-for-money solutions for Defence, and will draw on its considerable experience in large and complex projects to deliver a successful outcome for all stakeholders," Mr Coleman said.

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