

News Release

Biwater signs Memorandum of Understanding to advance sustainable water solutions in the El Chaco Region of Paraguay

San Francisco, Panama – 12 December 2024: Biwater has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Corporacion Agua para El Chaco, representing a key step towards delivering sustainable water solutions for the Chaco Paraguayo region.

The MOU was signed at a meeting of the Corporacion's Board of Directors, presided over by Mr. Harold Bergen, Governor of the Department of Boquerón and President of the Corporacion. The agreement establishes a collaborative framework between Biwater, Departmental Governments and local non-governmental organisations to develop innovative solutions for providing access to clean water and undertaking development projects in the region.

The water supply initiative will focus on refurbishing and expanding infrastructure, reinforcing and incorporating sustainable practices, and advanced technologies to address the challenges of water scarcity in the Chaco region. The meeting was attended by key stakeholders, including representatives of various Cooperatives in the region, the Governor of the Presidente Hayes Department, Mr. Bernardo Zárate, and Mr. Alfredo Lorenzo, Second Vice President of the Corporacion and Representative of the Native People of El Chaco. Biwater was represented at the meeting by Daniel Boersner, Managing Director of Biwater Latin America; Federico Rosenzweig, Biwater Regional Specialist Engineer; and Eduardo Tischler, Biwater Representative in Paraguay.

Commenting on the MOU, Mr. Boersner said: "We are proud to be part of this initiative in the Chaco region, which underscores our commitment to delivering sustainable water solutions. By working collaboratively with local stakeholders, we aim to bring long-term benefits to communities and support economic development in the region."

Biwater has extensive experience delivering water treatment and sanitation schemes across Latin America, including notable projects carried out in Nicaragua, Panama, and Chile. This expertise enables Biwater to support efforts aimed at providing essential water access and building water resilience in the Chaco region.

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From left to right: Mr. Alfredo Lorenzo, Second Vice President of the Corporacion and Representative of the Native People of El Chaco; Mr. Daniel Boersner, Managing Director of Biwater Latin America; Mr. Harold Bergen, Governor of the Department of Boquerón and President of the Corporacion; and Mr. Bernardo Zárate, Governor of the Presidente Hayes Department.

About Biwater:

Biwater provides large-scale water and wastewater solutions for clients across the world. Since its inception in 1968, Biwater have gained recognition for innovative approaches aimed at overcoming the world's most pressing water-related challenges. Throughout its history, the company has grown to meet the demands of many water-stressed countries and their burgeoning populations. It has a successful record of accomplishment, having completed over 25,000 projects in over 90 countries – financing, consulting, process engineering, designing, constructing, operating, maintaining and owning water facilities – in both rural and urban environments.

Americas:

Biwater has been working in the Americas since the 1960's, starting with equipment supply and going on to deliver the company's first regional turnkey project, the Northern Range Guanapo Water Treatment Plants, in Trinidad. Subsequently, Biwater has carried out work across South, Central and North America.

Notably, Biwater's ongoing work in Managua, Nicaragua has provided the capital with its first large-scale wastewater treatment plant; it has been recognised for its sustainable design

and operation by Global Water Intelligence, boasting the largest sludge drying facility in the Americas.

Biwater Inc., based in Los Angeles, handles the company's desalination activities and currently has more than 450 million gallons per day (MGD (US)) of installed membrane treatment capacity globally.

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