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In July 2008, Hercules Group Pty Limited (HGPL) was selected through public tender to Design and Construct (D&C) a special purpose hydrocarbon fuels *Flow Measurement Facility* at Londonderry NSW. The project client was the National Measurement Institute (NMI), a Commonwealth Agency within the Innovation, Industry, Science and Research Portfolio.

The project was essentially in three parts:

- Construction of a special purpose building;
- Fit out of the building with specialist hydrocarbon fuel flow measurement equipment and test beds, and;
- Commissioning and testing of the completed facility.

In October 2008, the client extended HGPL's scope of works to include the development of a computerised controls package to automate flow measurement testing that the NMI will undertake at the facility.

The project is a fully industrial-scale undertaking with an all up cost of \$3.5M excluding GST.

G.E. Shaw & Associates (ACT) Pty Ltd was appointed by the NMI as project Superintendent and has oversighted HGPL's work on the project from the time of engagement. We had not previously had any form of relationship with HGPL.

The D&C component of the project reached practical completion on 30 June 2009. Completion of the controls package and final commissioning and testing is expected to be completed in July 2009.

In our opinion, HGPL's performance on this project has been outstanding in every respect.

HGPL's appreciation of the project requirements down to the finest level of detail has been of the highest order and the personnel they have devoted to the project have been exemplary in their diligence, application to effort, technical competence, client focus and attention to administrative matters and detail. One could not have wished for a more motivated and competent team to manage the technical complexity that the project involved. The professional and consultative way that HGPL managed their trade subcontractors is a model of industrial relations practice that has achieved the committed engagement of those subcontractors and through that, achievement of the highest standards of construction and finish of both the building and the equipment fitout. The end result is a facility that is very highly regarded by the client and that achieves the highest standards of construction excellence.



We have been most impressed with HGPL's willingness to walk the extra mile to get things done to tight schedules, their ready accommodation of client requirements for design changes, the clarity of their communications with us and with the client, and their indefatigable graciousness and good humour throughout the project.

I recommend Hercules Group Pty Limited unreservedly as a most technically competent, motivated and capable organisation that will do whatever it takes to achieve agreed outcomes on behalf of clients.

I would be happy to provide further details of the project and HGPL's undertaking of it, or to answer any related questions at any time.

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