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Antonin Kunz **MD of Green Gas DPB**



What does your role at Green Gas DPB involve?

As the Managing Director of Green Gas DPB a.s., I manage the day-to-day running of the company as well as ensuring the implementation of the group's long term objectives according to the agreed business plan. My interest is also to promote good teamwork and working environment within the company. We manage 100 million m³ per annum of methane and in 2009 we expect to produce 180,000 MWh of electricity and 142,000 GJ of heat. Since 2007, when Green Gas and DPB joined, we have installed 23 MW CHP plants gaining a total of 25 MW by the end of 2009.

What aspects of your experience make you suitable for the role?

I have 23 years of experience in the mining industry and have been involved in this field since the start of my professional career. I studied Management at Swinburne University of Technology in Melbourne, Australia. Since the entire Czech Republic was going through political and economic transformation at that time, such studies were practically unavailable at local universities.

What are your main priorities as MD of DPB for 2010 and beyond?

The most important objective is to provide good conditions for further

development of the group in accordance with the corporate strategy. This will include, completing the CHP project to 40 MW of electricity capacity, completing the restructuring process and ensuring the continuing development of Green Gas DPB. This will specifically include looking at expansion into the Polish market and supporting development of the Coal Mine Methane Services business.

What projects have recently been implemented and which are in the pipeline?

Another stage of installation of CHP units at Jan Karel has recently been completed, and an additional unit will be ready at Paskov by January 2010. We have installed 24 MWel to date and plan to build a further 6 MWel in 2010. The most important thing is to ensure gas supplies. Green Gas DPB has also prepared surveys and projects to build new resources of gas that will guarantee supplies to CHP units and other external customers.

What positive impact has the Green Gas & DPB merger had on DPB?

The merger between Green Gas and DPB has had a positive impact on international environmental co-operation and created new opportunities for future group projects.

What are your interests outside Green Gas DPB?

Most importantly spending time with my family. A big part of my spare time goes on sports such as skiing, cycling and yachting.