

Santo Domingo Infrastructure Project Gets Pipes from Turkish Giant

Dizayn Group, which is Turkey's most important brand in the heating and sanitary sector, exports to the Dominican Republic pipes and fittings that will be used in the capital city Santo Domingo's infrastructure Project called "En Construccion by Pass Sistema Valdesa-Santo Domingo". The PE pipes with 1,600mm diameter, which will be used for the drinking water project in Santo Domingo, have the feature to be the first in the world. The Dominican authorities preferred this world record holding pipes because they are resistant to disasters. Dizayn Group authorities said: "After a period of ongoing talks we came to a result and export operations were conducted in April 2009 from the Tekirdağ- Akport Harbor.

Resistant to Natural Disasters

The Dominican Republic is located in the Caribbean Hispaniola island and is exposed to continuous hurricanes which cause serious water shortages that affect life in general. Since transporting clean water is a serious problem in the Dominican Republic, this has given great importance to this new project. The project will bring a solution to this clean water problem in the city.

Hakan Özdemir, Vice President of Dizayn Group, pointed out that the clean water pipes that will be used for this project are pressure pipes. He said: "The pipes we export can handle very high pressure rates without breaking or leaking. These high chemical resistance pipes are also resistant against natural disasters. Because of the high production technology standards, these pipes don't crack and have a high resistance against blows. These pipes are suitable for the land structure in Santo Domingo where they will be implemented and they are certainly not affected by sunlight."

Dizayn Group was founded in 1987 with the objective of developing and



carrying out projects in the heating and plumbing sectors. In September 1992, Dizayn Group started producing under-floor heating pipes and indoor plumbing pipes called PP-R. Today Dizayn Group manufactures more than 4,000 types of products using 23 complete systems. As the result of giving importance to R&D works, Dizayn products which have quality certifications are exported to more than 80 countries and are produced with the highest manufacturing technologies. These products are unique worldwide. Moreover, Dizayn Group, with 85 patents, is one of most productive technology companies in Turkey and is rewarded by the Turkish Patent Institute.

Dizayn Group is growing and developing with its national and international investments every day. So far Dizayn products are preferred for different international projects like the Palm Islands, Burj Dubai Old Tower, the Nile River Underwater Crossing Project, the Hong Kong Island Project, and the Izmir Great Canal Project. Dizayn Group Chairman, *Ibrahim Mirmahmutoğulları*, represented Turkey successfully in 2002 at the World Young Entrepreneurs contest in the Philippines. He was rewarded with the Grand Prize. He is also the founding member and president of the International Technology Union (UTB) in Turkey. ■

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