Sodexo in joint venture with Native Title Groups secures $165M contract with Fortescue Metals Group

The announcement expands Sodexo’s operations in Australia, while cementing its position as the leading provider of integrated facilities management services in the energy and resources sector.

Perth, Western Australia, 17 December 2019 – Sodexo, world leader in quality of life services, announced it had been awarded a three-year contract, together with local Native Title groups, for the provision of village services with global iron ore producer, Fortescue Metals Group (Fortescue).

Assets comprise Fortescue’s major camps Hamilton, Cloudbreak and Christmas Creek, where Sodexo is working in a joint venture with Native Title groups Kariyarra Group, Palyku Group and Karlka Group, to ensure positive community engagement and quality of service.

As part of the contract, Sodexo and the Joint Ventures will work with Fortescue to provide services ranging from accommodation to transport and wellbeing, enhancing the quality of life for workers living on site across Fortescue’s operations in Western Australia’s Pilbara region.

Across the three Fortescue sites, Sodexo will provide a range of village services, including accommodation services management to approximately 3,000 workers in a typical week, catering services – serving up to 8,500 meals daily, industrial cleaning, retail, health and wellbeing, transport and airport management services, as well as trade-based maintenance services delivery at Hamilton.

The announcement is an important milestone for Sodexo after acquiring Morris Corporation two years ago, which expanded Sodexo’s portfolio of facilities management operations in Australia. Morris had been Fortescue’s contractor since 2009.

Darren Hedley, Sodexo CEO of Energy & Resources Asia-Pacific, said the ongoing work with Fortescue showed both companies were aligned in improving quality of village life, and valued strong engagement with communities.
“We’re looking forward to working with our Joint Venture partners, Kariyarra Group, Palyku Group and Karlka Group, and Fortescue as we continue to identify opportunities for constant improvements across the sites to deliver the best outcomes for Fortescue, with a priority being maintaining safety and quality operations for its growing workforce,” he said.

Elizabeth Gaines, Chief Executive Officer, Fortescue said,

“These contracts are awarded on merit. Each of our business partners have competitively demonstrated their commercial ability to deliver the contracted services and by working within a joint venture, the Aboriginal business have the support and opportunity to increase their active participation and build long term sustainability.”

About Sodexo in Australia
Sodexo in Australia employs a diverse workforce of over 5,000 employees. Sodexo delivers a unique array of over 100 integrated services lines including: catering, facilities management, concierge services, security, asset maintenance and hospitality services in the following segments: Corporate, Healthcare & Seniors, Education, Government & Justice Services and Energy & Resources both on and offshore.

About Sodexo
Founded in Marseille in 1966 by Pierre Bellon, Sodexo is the global leader in services that improve Quality of Life, an essential factor in individual and organizational performance. Operating in 67 countries, Sodexo serves 100 million consumers each day through its unique combination of On-site Services, Benefits and Rewards Services and Personal and Home Services. Sodexo provides clients an integrated offering developed over more than 50 years of experience: from foodservices, reception, maintenance and cleaning, to facilities and equipment management; from services and programs fostering employees’ engagement to solutions that simplify and optimize their mobility and expenses management, to in-home assistance, child care centers and concierge services. Sodexo’s success and performance are founded on its independence, its sustainable business model and its ability to continuously develop and engage its 470,000 employees throughout the world.

Sodexo is included in the CAC 40, FTSE 4 Good and DJSI indices.

Key figures (as of August 31, 2019)

22.0 billion euro in consolidated revenues
470,000 employees
19th largest private employer worldwide
67 countries
100 million consumers served daily
14.7 billion euro in market capitalization (as of November 6, 2019)