Non-Revenue Water Reduction and Control: Building Sustainable Cities by Taking Action against Water Losses



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# NON-REVENUE WATER A global challenge



\$39\* billion/year the financial cost / value of Non-Revenue Water



800\* million people could have access to water supply if the world value of NRW was reduced by 1/3



**30%\*** of water system input volume across the world is NRW

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# Non-Revenue Water SUEZ Approach



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## SUEZ Approach

Some of our Supporting Technologies



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# NRW References



## BORDEAUX, FRANCE 2007-2011

Definition and implementation of physical losses reduction program, including asset renewal, leak detection and repair and advanced pressure management.





**OLINDA, BRAZIL** 2016-2020

Performance based contract for efficiency improvement of the water supply system of the city of Olinda, from design and construction to O&M for a period of 4 years.



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**MACAO SAR, CHINA** 2009-2030

Extension of the operation and management of water services contract for the municipality of Macao Special Administrative region of the people's Republic of China

<b>390,000 m³/d</b> water supply capacity	<b>7.3 %</b> NRW water rate achieved, leading level in Asia	503 km of new pipelines installed
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# SANTIAGO, CHILE

## SUEZ NRW CONSULTANCY USE CASE

5-YEAR MASTER PLAN DETAILED RESULTS



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# Santiago, Chile



Santiago de Chile is the capital and largest city of Chile and is located in the country's central valley. The operator Aguas Andinas®, subsidiary of SUEZ Group, asked to reduce the NRW volumes, which were around 30% at the end of 2016, in the frame of a Master Planning contract to reduce NRW in 10% by 2021

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#### 654 Mm3/year

- Population:
- Customers:
- Network length:
- Connections:
- NRW before actions:
- 5.56 million inhabitants 1,733,852 clients 11,607 km of pipes
- 1,244,416 service connections
  - 30% water loss



## Santiago, Chile

Master Plan



Initial Water Losses Assessment using AQUACIRCLE® determined the following best matching cost efficiency SUEZ strategies and services to be deploy:

- **1. SPOT Leak Service:** Including Leak inspection planning and leak detection campaigns, Active leak monitoring, and Network Sectorization
- 2. Calm Network Service: Including optimal pressure regulation and control to reduce NRW
- **3. Opti Revenue:** Including recommendations on water meter selection, optimal meter replacement programs, detection of irregular consumptions, and optimization of the inspection activity in the field

Master Plan definition included 2 consultancy phases and 4 pilot projects between them to set the baseline, and evaluate current real condition on Real and Apparent Losses in strategic areas prior to scaling action plans to the whole network. Total execution time for Master plan definition was 18 months

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## **Proposed structure**



### NETWORK EFFICIENCY MASTER PLAN

Economic Evaluation · Action Plan · Investment Planning

## Pilot Project 1. Physical Losses

SPOT Leaks:

- Scope: Zone1-560 km & Zone2-123 km
- Active leak management
- Leak detection acoustics & iDroloc
- Leak repair

#### Calm Network:

- Scope: Zone2-123 km
- Pressure regulation

#### Pilot Project 2. Apparent Losses Opti Revenue:

- Scope: All customers in metropolitan area
- Irregular consumption
- Metering optimization (Consumption patterns, Average meter error, etc.)

#### Pilot Project 3. Full NRW approach

- Scope: Zone3-13 km
- SPOT Leaks
- Calm Network
- Opti Revenue
- Smart Metering

### Pilot Project 4. Remote Control

- Pilot technology support
- Improvement of Operational Control Centre

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## Consultancy. Phase 1 – NRW Audit

#### Background

- Macro-metering in poor condition
- 30% NRW, below Aguas Andinas' standards

#### **Physical Losses**

- Inhouse methodologies developed
- Heterogeneous water loss per DMA
- High level of water losses

#### **Apparent Losses**

- Unknown at the beginning, estimated through pilots
- Homogeneous water loss (efficient meter renewal policy)
- Low level of losses (micro-metering in good condition)



### Pilot projects. Scope Zones. Characteristics





## Zone 2

- Length: 123 km
- Customers: 12.400
- Micro-DMAs: 8
- Boundary ON/OFF Valves: 27
- Micro-DMA Av. Size: 15 km
- PRVs: 5



- Length: 13 km
- Customers: 1.300
- Micro-DMAs: 1
- Meter renewed: 1,300
- Remote Meter Reading

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## Pilot project 1. Physical losses

#### **SPOT Leaks**

Network Sectorisation (Z1. 560 km & Z2. 123 km):

- Secondary Sectorization execution
- Dynamic Micro-Sectorization execution

Active Leak Management (Z1. 560 km & Z2. 123 km):

- Active Leak Management on both network zones
- 6% points in NRW reduced

#### **Calm Network**

Pressure regulation (Z2. 123 km):

- 14% points in NRW reduced
- 0.6% billing reduction for a 30% pressure reduction

## Performance evolution Z2



## Pilot project 2. Apparent Losses

#### **Opti Revenue**

Scope: All customers in Metropolitan Area Metering optimization:

- 400 consumption pattern analyzed
- 1,500 meters analyzed for Meter Audit
- 1,250 meters checked
- -7.67% average metering error on domestic meters

Irregular consumption:

- Based on advanced data analytics
- 18,760 customers analyzed
- 11% of customers under suspect
- 84% of customers under suspect investigated
- 7% of customers investigated had irregular consumption
- 0.63% increment in revenues



# Santiago, Chile

## Pilot Project 3. Full NRW approach

Scope: Z3. 13km

#### **SPOT Leaks**

Active Leak Management:

- Active Leak Management (Acoustics & iDroloc)
- Network sectorization
- NRW water balance

#### **Calm Network**

Pressure regulation

#### **Opti Revenue**

- Meter optimization. Including 2 scenarios:
  - Scenario 1: According to Aguas Andinas' meter renewal policy
  - Scenario 2: Full meter renewal
- Irregular consumption
- Smart metering



## Impact of actions on NRW



\*Expected contribution and NRW reduction level after execution of actions proposed in the Master Plan

### **Network Efficiency Master Plan Conclusions**

#### **Physical losses:**

Economic Evaluation and Investment Planning

- Pressure regulation over 49% of network (649 pressure zones) .
- Micro-Sectorization over 42% of network (961 micro-sectors) •
- \$5 M per year investment (during 5 years), payback 3 years •

#### **Apparent Losses:**

- 690.511 meters renewed •
- \$32 M investment (in 1 year), payback 5 years
- Water recovered 11 million m<sup>3</sup> per year •

### Split of Actions Planned



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