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Thermax signs licence pact with Babcock & Wilcox

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POWER-GENERATING equipment maker Thermax has entered into a 15-year technical transfer licence agreement with US-based Babcock & Wilcox Power Generation Group. Under this agreement, Thermax will engineer, manufacture and sell subcritical B&W Radiant utility boilers in India.

The boilers are used to generate steam in thermal power plants and can be designed to fire a variety of fossil fuels including pulverised coal, fuel oil, natural gas and synthesise gases such as blast furnace gas and coke oven gas. Thermax will engineer and produce

boilers up to 800 MW at its new manufacturing facility in Gujarat.

Thermax and Babcock & Wilcox have had a business relationship for 20 years including a joint venture for industrial boilers and heat recovery steam generators. The latest agreement will give Thermax the right to use Babcock & Wilcox's technology in the private and public power generation sector where an estimated 80,000 MW of capacity is slated to be added in the next five years.

Babcock & Wilcox Power Generation is a major operating unit of the Babcock & Wilcox Company, a wholly-owned subsidiary of McDermott International.