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Sonico Limited has recently been awarded the contract to install the exciting sonix™ ultrasound technology for digester enhancement and sludge reduction at Beenyup Wastewater Treatment plant in Perth, Australia.

The contract was awarded to Sonico Limited by the Beenyup Alliance. The Beenyup Alliance is an alliance between Black & Veatch Australia Pty Limited; GHD Pty Limited, Leighton Contractors Pty Limited and the Water Corporation. The Beenyup Alliance is delivering the Beenyup Wastewater Treatment Plant Stage 2 odour control and plant upgrade project for the Water Corporation.

The sonix™ contract was awarded following a detailed technical, economic and environmental evaluation of the benefits of various sludge digester enhancement processes. The Perth installation will incorporate a 36kW sonix™ plant, treating all of the secondary sludge produced on site. Whilst the primary driver for the installation is enhanced solids destruction and improved dewaterability there will also be additional benefits relating to foam control and biogas enhancement.

The Managing Director of Sonico, Dr Piers Clark comments 'We are very pleased to be working with the Beenyup Alliance on this project. The benefits of the sonix™ technology have been proven through numerous full scale demonstrations undertaken across the world. sonix™ is a credible, reliable technology which delivers substantial operational savings. The Beenyup project is going to be fantastic'.

sonix™ plants are now in operation in the UK, USA, Canada, Japan and Sweden. Licenses have been agreed for the US, UK, Scandinavia and Japanese markets. For more details please visit the Sonico web site at www.sonico.net