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Luther and BAM PPP Deutschland win bidding process for the first PPP project in the State of Lower Saxony

Hamburg, 25 October 2010 – BAM PPP Deutschland GmbH has won the bidding process regarding the construction and 25-year operation phase of the Bremervörde prison. Luther Rechtsanwaltsgesellschaft mbH advised BAM PPP Deutschland during the process.

BAM PPP Deutschland GmbH belongs to the Dutch Royal BAM Group, which has by now contracted more than 30 PPP projects and, with a turnover of approx. €8bn, is one of the largest European construction groups.

As the State's contract partner, BAM PPP Deutschland is responsible for planning, constructing and financing the Bremervörde prison, which is intended to hold 300 male prisoners, as well as for carrying out nonpublic, operational functions. This includes, for example, the technical property management, cleaning services, providing meals and keeping the prisoners busy. A total of 64 jobs will be created in the non-public area. The overall investment sum is  $\in 66.25$ m.

For Luther Rechtsanwaltsgesellschaft, the Bremervörde prison is already the third PPP project in the prison sector after the Burg prison and the regional Burgdorf prison. However, this is the first time that Luther has advised the private party. Luther advised BAM PPP Deutschland from the first bidding phase until the award of the contract on all matters pertaining to contract, public procurement, tax and insurance law, in addition to negotiating all financing agreements with a group of four banks.

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