



**Equipment Installed on Two Boilers at the Coronel Plant:**

## **Camanchaca Invests to Cut Emissions by 90%**

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Alongside the Regional Secretary for the Environment for the Bío Bío Region and other local authorities, this morning Camanchaca Pesca Sur inaugurated new equipment to reduce particulate matter and sulfur dioxide at its Coronel plant.

The initiative, which entailed an investment of US\$ 1 million, reduces the Company's particulate matter and sulfur dioxide emissions by 90%, helping decrease the plant's emissions and making a tangible contribution to improving air quality in the region.

Ricardo García, Camanchaca's CEO, confirmed that this investment reinforces the Company's commitment to caring for the environment. *"Today's inauguration demonstrates our hard work to implement a system to cut emissions and contribute to the decontamination plan for the Greater Concepción Area. At the same time, we are blazing a trail to continue to assume responsibility for the environment and neighboring communities—something that Camanchaca is certainly known for,"* the executive commented.

The equipment, attached to two of the plant's five boilers, is a Venturi-Scrubber that was designed to treat gases generated in the boilers' combustion process. Each device cleans gases with an aqueous solution to single-handedly reduce three types of particles: SO<sub>2</sub> (sulfur dioxide), PM10 (breathable particulate matter) and 2.5 (fine particulate matter).

Richard Vargas, the Regional Secretary for the Environment for the Bío Bío Region, remarked, *"It is a pleasure for me to attend the inauguration of this technology, which has already been proven to reduce emissions. This is what the country and the region need: companies committed to the environment and sustainable development. Today Camanchaca's employees can be proud to belong to a company that is concerned about its environment."* Vargas also expressed his appreciation and thanks for the Company's involvement in the local school recycling program. An awards ceremony was held last week as part of the festivities to celebrate Recycling Day, also held in Coronel.

From the project engineering stage to implementation, Camanchaca has spent around a year developing the initiative to make it operable by now.

During the ceremony, the authorities present, alongside Company executives and employees, toured the equipment installed in the service patio of the Coronel plant's steam generation area and saw first hand how it worked.



Alejandro Florás, the regional manager of Camanchaca Pesca Sur, highlighted that this is one of many improvements and investments being made at the plant. *"In addition to this equipment, we are renewing our fleet of boilers. In fact, this year we installed one new boiler that is 20% more efficient than the current one,"* he confirmed. One of Camanchaca's objectives for 2016 is to make its processes as efficient as possible. In this spirit, the Company is implementing improvements in energy use and production.

At the event, in addition to learning more about the equipment, guests enjoyed a cocktail prepared with the seafood products that Camanchaca produces and sells at a point of sale located next to the plant.

This initiative is being developed to help commemorate the 115th year anniversary of the industrial fishing industry in the Bío Bío Region and coincides with the "Month of the Ocean".