Esentia and IFC Join Forces to Study the Expansion of Natural Gas Infrastructure in Mexico

- The initial technical, environmental and social assessment stage will be conducted in accordance with IFC's Performance Standards

Mexico City, November 12, 2026. Esentia Energy Development, S.A.B. de C.V. ("Esentia") today announced an agreement with the International Finance Corporation ("IFC"), a member of the World Bank Group, to collaborate on the initial studies for a potential expansion of its natural gas transportation infrastructure. The objective is to meet long-term demand that exceeds the capacity to be delivered by the expansion plan Esentia is currently executing.

Esentia anticipates growth opportunities linked to sectors such as fertilizers, mining, data centers, industry and power generation, as well as to Mexico's development as a liquefied natural gas (LNG) export platform. Infrastructure of this scale requires several years of technical, environmental and social studies before any investment decision is made, which is why Esentia is beginning this work now, so that it can be carried out in an orderly, predictable and responsible manner.

Esentia operates the largest private interconnected natural gas pipeline system in Mexico, spanning more than 2,000 kilometers, and supplies approximately 14% of the country's daily natural gas demand with low-cost gas sourced from Waha, Texas.

IFC's participation allows this stage to incorporate, from the outset, IFC's Performance Standards, the international benchmark for environmental and social sustainability in infrastructure projects. The initiative seeks to contribute to energy security and industrial competitiveness in the regions it serves.

"*We see long-term demand that goes beyond our current expansion plan, both from Mexican industry and from Mexico's potential as an LNG exporter, and given our direct access to Waha gas, Esentia is well positioned to meet it*," said Daniel Bustos, CEO of Esentia. "*Meeting it well takes years, which is why we are starting today, and we are doing so with IFC because we want every stage to meet the most demanding international standards. Our goal is for the growth of energy infrastructure to translate into shared prosperity for the communities and regions where we operate*."

This agreement covers exclusively the preliminary studies stage. It does not constitute an investment or financing commitment on the part of IFC, nor an investment or construction decision on the part of Esentia. Furthermore, there is no guarantee that

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such infrastructure expansion will take place. Any future decision will be subject to the results of the studies, obtaining the applicable permits and the corresponding internal approvals of each party.

"*Supporting infrastructure development helps strengthen Mexico's energy security, which is why it is a strategic priority under the World Bank Group's Country Partnership Framework with the Government of Mexico,*" said Camila Rodriguez, Pre-Investment Manager for Infrastructure and Energy for Latin America and the Caribbean at IFC. "*This combined effort is aligned with that objective by expanding access to critical natural gas infrastructure, benefiting key industrial sectors such as Power Generation and Fertilizers, and could help close the energy gap in Mexico*."

About ESENTIA Energy Systems:
ESENTIA Energy Systems is a leading company in Mexico's energy sector, specializing in the transportation and marketing of natural gas. With more than 20 years of experience, we develop infrastructure projects that drive growth and expand access to energy, contributing to the well-being and sustainable development of Mexico. We operate the largest interconnected natural gas system in Mexico, which supplies reliable, low-cost natural gas from Waha, Texas, through the center of the country to its main industrial regions. At ESENTIA Energy Systems, we operate under the highest safety standards and maintain a firm commitment to sustainability and to respect for the communities where we are present. For more information, visit www.esentiaenergy.com

About IFC:

IFC, a member of the World Bank Group, is the largest global development institution focused on the private sector in emerging markets. It works in more than 100 countries, using its capital, expertise and influence to create markets and opportunities in developing countries. In fiscal year 2026, IFC committed a record USD 105 billion to private companies and financial institutions in developing countries, mobilizing private sector solutions and capital to create a world free of poverty on a livable planet. For more information, visit www.ifc.org

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