

EARLY REPLACEMENT OF STEEL PIPELINE ON THE CENTRAL EMBANKMENT OF VOLGOGRAD

Koncessii Vodossnabzheniya has begun the replacement of the steel water pipeline on the Embankment named after 62nd Army in Volgograd. Built in the 1990s, the pipeline had been experiencing emergencies up to 60 times a year. Alexander Zhernokov, Deputy Director of Koncessii Vodossnabzheniya said the company will install 1000 mm PE pipes using a horizontal drilling method.

StroyServis, the contractor, will initially replace 1.7 km of the main water pipeline between the riverside station and 7th Gvardeiskoy Brigady Street. The contractor confirmed that the construction works will not disrupt the water supply.

Emergencies have caused suffering for local consumers and for road users. As the pipeline is laid under the road, the repair work will limit some traffic flow.

Gorvodokanal Volgograd was conceded to Koncessii Vodossnabzheniya for 30 years due to lack of funds in the Municipal Company and the fact that almost 80% of the network was worn out. According to the City Administration, the Municipal company will maintain economic management rights for communal infrastructure facilities but at the same time delegates the right for asset servicing and cost increasing. The administration also gave reassurances that this arrangement will not lead to rises in water supply and disposal tariffs for Volgograd inhabitants.

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