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ENEL PUBLIC PRIVATE ALLIANCE WILL ALLOW THE PLANTING OF MORE THAN 90,000 TREES IN QUILLOTA

- ***“Facing Climate Change, Quillota breathes” is the name of the Project that united the efforts by the Municipality of Quillota, Enel Generación Chile, and DuocUC, which shall enable the planting of 93,000 native and exotic trees in the urban and semi urban areas of the county.***

Quillota, December 4th, 2018- Combating Climate Change by means of planned tree planting programs is the great challenge of the project that held its inauguration today with the mayor of Quillota, Luis Mella; the Environmental Seremi of Valparaíso, Victoria Gazmuri; the sustainability manager for Enel Chile, Antonella Pellegrini; and the director of the Valparaíso headquarters for DuocUC, Claudio Salas. The ceremony took place on the grounds of the Health and Cultural Promotion Center of Quillota, in the Valparaíso Region, location where the authorities and the community planted the first trees of this initiative.

The objective of “Facing Climate Change, Quillota breathes” is to generate a methodological proposal towards mitigating the effect of the Greenhouse Effect Gases (GEI) existing in the county, improving the health and quality of life of its residents. Additionally, the initiative contemplates multiple actions towards the promotion, dissemination, education, along with the planned and smart tree planting for the city, thus contributing to the welfare of its inhabitants.

The mayor of Quillota, Luis Mella, through his words thanked *“the will demonstrated by Enel from the moment it learned about this project, as well as its disposition to work alongside with other organizations”*. *Enel is present in the area through its San Isidro power plant and they have been our partners for a long time and this work is fundamental towards the development of this project”*. The municipal authority also highlighted that the generating company shall take charge of the project financing, and in its support through the logistics implied by an initiative of this type.

Antonella Pellegrini, Enel Chile Sustainability manager, pointed out that *“This project is a contribution towards the improvement of urban areas, an example of how the public and private worlds, together, may join their efforts towards their sole objective, which is the wellbeing of persons by improving their living spaces. The planting of new trees is an activity that Enel develops in different regions, actions against climate being one of our axis for sustainable development”*.

In this alliance Enel Generación Chile committed the resources for the planting of 93,000 trees in the county of Quillota. The agreement includes five years of joint work with DuocUC, with different educational actions, including co- work spaces for the different actors and the development of skills among Quillota residents.