

Energy Networks Australia – Interim CEO

ENA 15 August 2017

Nino Ficca Chair, Energy Networks Australia announced that Andrew Dillon has been appointed as the Interim CEO of Energy Networks Australia until a permanent CEO for Energy Networks Australia is confirmed.

Andrew is currently the General Manager, Corporate Affairs of Ausnet Services and will serve as Interim CEO from Friday 1 September 2017 during the period of the executive search process.

Andrew will be well known to many involved in energy related issues, through his current role and previously in a senior role at the Energy Supply Association of Australia.

Andrew will work closely with the senior team - Garth Crawford, Brendon Crown, Stuart Johnston, Dennis Van Puyvelde, Emma Watts and Joan Morrell.

After 4 years, ENA's Chief Executive Officer John Bradley has advised of his resignation in order to accept another position.

AGL announces Crib Point as preferred site for gas import jetty and pipeline AGL Thursday, 10 August 2017

AGL today announced Crib Point (Western Port) in Victoria as the preferred site for a gas import jetty and pipeline to increase energy security and supply for customers in south eastern Australia.

Crib Point is best placed to serve Victoria, Australia's largest gas market, as well as take advantage of the existing pipeline network, industrial port facility and associated infrastructure.

AGL will continue to engage with the relevant stakeholders, including Government authorities and the Western Port community, to complete feasibility studies on the proposed site.

Richard Wrightson, AGL Executive General Manager, Wholesale Markets, said AGL is looking forward to continuing working with the local community on the proposal.

"This doesn't signal the end of the feasibility studies for the proposed site but now accelerates the process. We look forward to ongoing consultation with the local community to answer their questions and proceed towards a formal application to the Victorian Government," Mr Wrightson said.

"This project will enable access to the world market for gas, injecting some much-needed competition into the Australian market and help ease the tight gas supply.

"If all goes to plan, AGL would invest roughly \$250 million, commence construction in 2019 and bring the terminal into operation by 2020/21."

Mr Wrightson added that as Australia transitions to a carbon constrained future, AGL is looking at how best to modernise and decarbonise the energy system.

"Our strong balance sheet allows us to take a long-term view and invest our profits into renewable energy and strategic projects such as the gas import jetty and pipeline which will help underpin a more secure energy supply for Australia and has the potential, if required, to supply all of Victoria's household and business customer gas needs.

"As the largest generator of electricity in the country, we're working hard to deliver secure, reliable and affordable energy and increase competition in the east Australian gas market for domestic and industrial customers," said Mr Wrightson.

New energy innovation gives power back to the people

Clean Energy Council - Thursday 7 September 2017

A wave of new energy innovation will give greater control to electricity consumers and provides hope that power price relief for Australia's homes and businesses is in sight, the Clean Energy Council said today.

Clean Energy Council Kane Thornton said a wave of smart Australian businesses is releasing game-changing technology and solutions that could help consumers save on their bills. The launch today of the next generation Redback Smart Hybrid System is a good example of this. A partnership between EnergyAustralia and Redback Technologies promises to give customers more power by allowing them to produce their own energy from solar panels, store it and employ intelligent energy control systems to ensure it is used at the best possible time to maximise savings. Read more here