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## South Gippsland Natural Gas Extension Project

Multinet Gas with the support of the State Government of Victoria Natural Gas Extension Program will reticulate natural gas to the towns of Lang Lang, Inverloch, Korumburra, Leongatha and Wonthaggi in South Gippsland. Alinta Asset Management ('Alinta') has been appointed the project manager responsible for the construction and maintenance of the new gas network.

### Summary

#### Cultural Heritage.

Final approval was granted by the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs on the 4<sup>th</sup> April, 2007. This was the final step in the approval process for the receipt of a permit to disturb after several sites of cultural significance were identified by Alinta's heritage archaeologist. This is in addition to the permit and licence already granted to Multinet Gas by the Department of Primary Industries.

#### Construction

Delco Australia has been appointed to construct the 66 km of the transmission pipeline required by the project. Construction on the South Gippsland Transmission Pipeline commenced in April 2007. The transmission pipeline is the main pipeline that will transport natural gas from the Bass Gas Plant situated in Nyora to the townships of Korumburra, Leongatha, Wonthaggi and Inverloch.

Construction of the natural gas distribution pipeline in the township of Lang Lang commenced late last year and the project will be constructed independent to the overall South Gippsland Natural Gas Project

Detailed below is the project construction progress to May 2007:

Indicative Dates	Tasks	Progress to Date - May 2007
November 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Commencement of city gate and construction works for the township of Lang Lang.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In progress with natural gas expected to be available for Lang Lang in mid to late 2007</li> </ul>
April 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Final Permit and licence to be granted by the State Government for the South Gippsland Natural Gas transmission gas pipeline</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Granted</li> </ul>
April 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Commencement of the construction of the South Gippsland Natural Gas Pipeline transmission pipeline from Bass Gas (66 Km)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>On track with completion date planned by mid 2007</li> </ul>

Indicative Dates	Tasks	Progress to Date - May 2007
June 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Commencement of natural gas distribution works in Korumburra</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>On Track with completion date planned by end of 2007</li> </ul>
Q4 - 2007 /Early 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Natural Gas expected to be available to residents in Korumburra</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>On track</li> </ul>

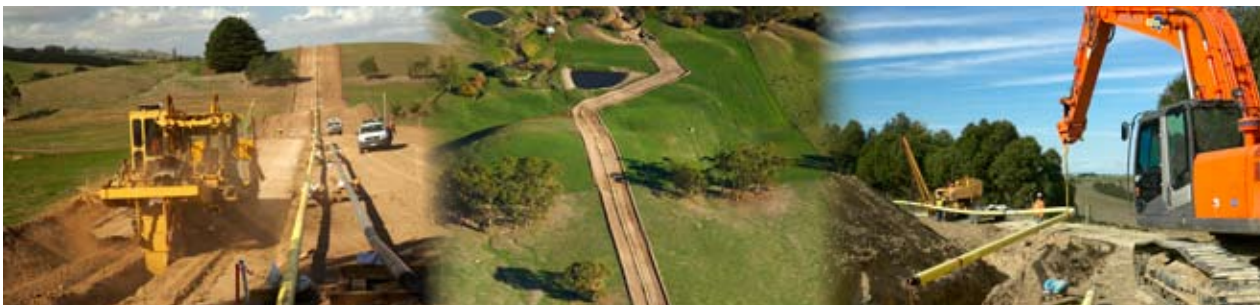
Towns	Expected time frame of gas distribution construction works to commence
Leongatha	Early 2008
Wonthaggi	Late 2008
Inverloch	Late 2008

Please note that the above time lines are indicative and are subject to change due to circumstances beyond our control.

### Some Key Elements of the Project

Project Element	Description
Pipeline Owner	Multinet Gas
Project Contractor	Alinta Asset Management
Project Cost	Approximately \$50 million
Project Construction timetable	2007 - 2010
Total length of all underground pipes	Approximately 260 Km
Gas Source	Bass Gas Plant, Lang Lang Victoria

Some construction photos of the South Gippsland Natural Gas Transmission Pipeline in progress.



In the meantime, if you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact James Wong on (03) 8544 9480 or email [james.wong@alinta.net.au](mailto:james.wong@alinta.net.au)

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