

Media Release

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Alcoa's Anglesea-Point Henry transmission line to be removed

The Alcoa of Australia Limited (Alcoa) owned transmission line assets connecting the company's former Point Henry and Anglesea operations will be removed as part of the decommissioning of the two sites.

The removal is planned to commence in 2018 and will take approximately two to three years to complete.

Powercor will continue to use a section of the transmission line between Forest Road and Anglesea Road as part of its network for power supply to residents in Anglesea and Lorne until September 2019.

Alcoa Point Henry Anglesea Asset Manager Warren Sharp said the decision to remove the transmission line assets followed detailed discussions between Alcoa and the Victorian Government, relevant authorities and power companies.

"All transmission towers, conductor line and concrete footings along the transmission line will be removed in consultation with affected property owners and in accordance with applicable regulations," Mr Sharp said.

"The company is committed to communication and consultation with affected property owners and keeping the broader community informed as the project progresses. Last week we wrote to property owners with a transmission line crossing their property advising of the removal."

Alcoa will ensure the appropriate safety inspections and maintenance continue until the assets are removed.

The transmission line was an integral part of Alcoa's operations for more than 45 years, enabling power generated at Alcoa's Anglesea Power Station to be utilised by the Point Henry smelter. The Point Henry smelter closed in 2014 and the Anglesea Power Station closed in 2015.

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