



Media release

Beach delivers local gas for the South East as Katnook Plant switches on

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Beach Energy has announced the successful delivery of first gas from the Katnook Gas Processing Facility near Penola, with the plant now providing locally produced natural gas to thousands of homes and businesses in the South East region.

The safe and successful delivery of first gas follows a significant redevelopment of the previously decommissioned plant, which was assisted by a \$6 million grant from the Commonwealth Government's Gas Acceleration Program.

Raw natural gas from the nearby Haselgrove-3 well is now piped through to the Katnook Facility, where it is being processed and then transported down the SEPS pipeline through to Mount Gambier and the local region.

Beach Energy Managing Director Matt Kay thanked the dozens of workers who safely delivered the project, which has already delivered great benefits to the Limestone Coast region.

"This is a key milestone for natural gas supply in the South East, which is once again using its own locally sourced and produced natural gas resources for the benefit of local homes and businesses," Mr Kay said.

"I would like to thank all of the workers at Beach as well as our contracted companies who have made this possible – you have delivered this high-quality facility without ever losing focus on the safety of yourselves and your workmates.

"Beach has been very focussed on supporting the local economy, and in the last year, we have engaged with 45 local companies and our investment has supported close to 70 jobs across our operations.

"I would also like to thank the Commonwealth and State Governments for their support, as well as the Limestone Coast community who have largely been very welcoming of local natural gas development."

Beach's South East operations have also been supported by the South Australian Government's PACE Gas scheme, with a \$6 million grant supporting the Haselgrove-3 discovery.

South Australian Minister for Mining and Energy Dan Van Holst Pellekaan said Beach Energy's investment in Katnook will deliver great benefits to local gas users and local jobs for the wider economy in the South East.

“Processing locally produced gas commenced decades ago, and it is terrific to see Beach Energy has bulldozed an old processing plant and replaced it with a modern, clean, state of the art facility.”

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