

## VICTORIAN DESALINATION PROJECT

### WORKS NOTIFICATION

The Victorian Desalination Project involves the construction of an 84km pipeline to connect the desalination plant to Melbourne and regional water networks.

The joint venture building the pipeline, Thiess Degremont Nacap, advises that the following works are about to commence.

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| DATE OF NOTIFICATION                   | 10 August 2011   |
| WHAT'S HAPPENING?                      | 'Hydrotesting' of the pipeline will soon be commencing. This involves the pipe being filled with water and then pressurised. This is a standard quality test to confirm that the pipeline is fit for operation. The pipeline will be safely disinfected with chlorine.   |
| WHEN?                                  | Hydrotesting will commence next week.  |
| WHAT'S INVOLVED?                       | To accommodate the length of the pipeline, hydrotesting will be carried out in four sections.<br>Hydrotesting involves: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A small work site will be established near Talinga Court in Berwick. From this location, personnel will fill the pipeline with water, add chlorine and carry out water quality testing. This work site will be in place for around two months, during which time hydrotesting personnel will come and go intermittently to carry out their work.</li> <li>• Throughout the hydrotest, inspection crews travelling along the pipeline either on foot or in light vehicles, inspecting valves and other pipeline infrastructure.</li> <li>• Minor construction works to connect sections of pipeline that have been successfully hydro-tested.</li> </ul> |
| WHAT SHOULD THE COMMUNITY BE AWARE OF? | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Because this will be the first time that the pipeline will be filled with water, air valves located along the pipeline will emit a hissing or whooshing sound - a normal function as air is pushed out of the pipeline. The noise will stop once the pipeline is full of water. The air valves will then only operate periodically.</li> <li>• At Talinga Court, some minor noise may be experienced from machinery operating the injection pump. There may also be a requirement for limited lighting if hydrotesting personnel need to carry out any work at night. Public access to the works area is not permitted</li> <li>• Approved plans are in place for this work</li> </ul>  |
| COMMUNITY CONTACTS                     | Members of the community seeking more information about the Victorian Desalination Project are encouraged to contact the project team:<br>Phone: Community contact line 1800 811 214<br>Email: <a href="mailto:contactus@aquasure.com.au">contactus@aquasure.com.au</a><br>Web: <a href="http://www.aquasure.com.au">www.aquasure.com.au</a>   |
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