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Callide mini-overhaul brings major benefits

A 30 day mini-overhaul at CS Energy's Callide Power Station is underway, delivering a \$10.4 million investment in the safe and efficient operation of the power station and bringing more than 100 contractors to the Biloela region.

The 405 megawatt Unit C4 at the Callide Power Station is offline from 10 April until 10 May for maintenance and repairs to keep it operating in peak condition.

Unit C4 is one of Callide C Power Station's two generating units, which have a combined capacity of 810 megawatts and provide base load electricity to the national grid. CS Energy owns Callide C in a 50/50 joint venture with InterGen.

Callide Power Station Site General Manager Phil Matha said mini-overhauls were typically done every two years, in between the larger major overhauls conducted every four years.

"Even a mini-overhaul is a major logistical exercise, involving careful planning and coordination with suppliers to get equipment to site and ensuring the additional contractor workforce is lined up and ready to go," Mr Matha said.

"This overhaul is the culmination of more than one year of planning and represents a significant investment in the ongoing operation and maintenance of Callide Power Station.

"In addition, the overhaul brings the added benefit of 130 contractors staying in the Biloela region, providing an economic boost for the local accommodation and services they use during the period."

The overhaul includes boiler inspections and repairs, condition assessment of the low pressure turbine rotor, replacement of fabric filter bags and refurbishment of the Callide C cooling tower.

Mr Matha said the safety of everyone on site is the number one priority throughout the overhaul.

"Safety is our highest priority at CS Energy," Mr Matha said. "We have clear health and safety management processes in place and encourage everyone working at site to maintain their focus on safety so that they can all go home each day without injury."

The Callide Power Station complex also includes the Callide A and B power stations and, together with Callide C Power Station, has a combined site capacity of 1,630 megawatts.

CS Energy also owns the 750 megawatt coal-fired Kogan Creek Power Station and the adjacent Kogan Mine, near Chinchilla in South West Queensland, and the 500 megawatt pumped storage hydro electric Wivenhoe Power Station, near Esk in South East Queensland. CS Energy also holds the trading rights for the Gladstone Power Station.

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