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## Kogan Creek Power Station gears up for major overhaul

Preparations are in full swing for a \$68 million major overhaul of CS Energy's Kogan Creek Power Station near Chinchilla in south west Queensland from April to June this year.

The 56-day 'service' will bring hundreds of extra workers to site to carry out inspections and maintenance of the 750 megawatt power station to keep it operating in peak condition into the future.

With less than two months until the overhaul kicks off on 8 April, CS Energy is working closely with major contractors Mitsubishi Hitachi Power Systems, Siemens and Australian Laboratory Services on final preparations.

Kogan Creek Power Station General Manager Phil Matha said overhauls were a major logistical exercise that involved getting equipment to site, coordinating works to happen on time and liaising with the community to ensure the people working on the project can be accommodated.

"We're expecting a peak workforce here on site of approximately 500 people, which will include more than 400 contractors, along with the power station's permanent workforce of 72 people," Mr Matha said.

"The types of extra workers on site will range from trades assistants, to technicians and engineers, including a small number of specialists from overseas.

"This contractor workforce will be accommodated at different motels and camps in Chinchilla," Mr Matha said. "These extra people in town will bring flow-on economic benefits to the local community for the duration of the overhaul."

Kogan Creek Power Station commenced operations in 2007 and is one of the most efficient coal-fired power stations in the National Electricity Market. The power station features the largest single generating unit in Australia and water efficient dry cooling technology.

CS Energy also owns the neighbouring Kogan Creek Mine, which supplies black coal to the power station and is operated by Golding Contractors.

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### About CS Energy

CS Energy is a Queensland energy company that has more than 400 employees, operates three power stations and has a trading portfolio of 4,035 megawatts.

CS Energy operates the 1,510 megawatt Callide Power Station near Biloela in Central Queensland, the 750 megawatt coal-fired Kogan Creek Power Station and Kogan Creek Mine, near Chinchilla in South West Queensland, as well as the 500 megawatt pumped storage hydroelectric Wivenhoe Power Station, near Esk in South East Queensland. The company is also party to the Interconnection and Power Pooling Agreement that entitles the company to trade the output of the Gladstone Power Station in excess of the requirements of the Boyne Aluminium Smelter.