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TRUenergy Tallawarra community update

2011 is becoming another big year at Tallawarra. We've received approval for a second power station at the site – *Tallawarra B*, and we've lodged a Concept Plan for Tallawarra Lands – the surplus land surrounding the power station.

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Tallawarra B

Following an extensive planning process the Government has approved TRUenergy's application for a second new combined cycle gas turbine power station adjacent to the existing plant at Tallawarra.

Thank you to the members of the Illawarra community and government agencies, including the Environmental Protection Authority and the Civil Aviation Safety Authority, who participated in the feedback process.

As part of the application, the cumulative air quality and noise impacts of both stations were extensively researched and modelled using real life data. The studies demonstrated that the new station would function within the strict operating limits required by various regulators.

Tallawarra B will help the State's growing electricity demand.

The timing of construction will depend on a number of factors, including market need and the Federal Government's carbon emission policy framework.

The new station confirms TRUenergy's continued investment in and commitment to the Illawarra.

Tallawarra Lands Concept Plan

TRUenergy is pleased to announce that the Concept Plan for Tallawarra Lands has been lodged with the NSW Department of Planning. The Plan incorporates community feedback and includes over twenty specialist studies.

The Concept Plan takes into account Wollongong City Council's Local Environmental Plan (LEP), which outlines the permitted uses across the 530 hectare site.

Key features of the Concept Plan include:

- Over 40% of the site retained as open space and conservation lands
- A long term supply of land for future jobs
- New shared pathways for cyclists and pedestrians along the lake foreshore
- A total of approximately 1,100 dwellings across three precincts located in the northern, central and southern parts of the site
- Potential for 200 retirement living units
- Community and recreational facilities.

The Plan will help to ensure that development of Tallawarra Lands is environmentally, socially and economically sustainable.

We anticipate that the NSW Department of Planning will soon place the Concept Plan on exhibition for public comment.

We strongly encourage Illawarra residents to participate in this important feedback process.

We have also sought input from the Federal Ministry for Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999.

This is the Australian Government's key piece of environmental legislation, under which it provides formal feedback on matters of potential national environmental significance.

To view the referral and have your say please visit:
<http://www.environment.gov.au/epbc/index.html>

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