



Public hearing into High Voltage upgrades proposed for Puckapunyal Military Area

Upgrades to the High Voltage power supply are proposed for the Puckapunyal Military Area (PMA), located near Seymour in Victoria.

In a submission to the Public Works Committee, the Department of Defence has stated that PMA experienced 15 disruptions to power in the past year. The proposed works will increase the power supply's capacity and reliability, as well as reducing risks associated with bushfires.

The proposed facilities will include new switching stations, an additional 22Kv underground connection to boost the external power supply and an upgrade to PMA's internal power network.

The project is expected to cost \$32.7 million (excluding GST).

Full details on the project are available on the committee's website: www.aph.gov.au/pwc

Public Hearing Venue: Legislative Council Committee Room, Victorian Parliament House, Spring Street, Melbourne
Date: Tuesday, 5 April 2016
Time: 9.00 am – 10.00 am

Members of the public are welcome to attend.

NB the Public Works Committee is neither involved in the tendering process nor the awarding of contracts. Enquiries on those matters should be addressed to the Department of Defence.

For interview: Contact office of the Chair, Senator Dean Smith on (08) 9481 0349.

For further information, including how to make a submission, the public hearing times, and copies of submissions when they become available, please visit the Committee website <http://www.aph.gov.au/pwc> or contact the Committee Secretariat on (02) 6277 4636.