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Important upgrade to Richmond Terminal Station

A \$137 million upgrade proposed for the Richmond Terminal Station has today been announced by energy networks business SP AusNet, to improve reliability and capacity of power supply for more than 118,000 people.

SP AusNet General Manager Networks Strategy and Development Charles Popple said the upgraded terminal station would replace the existing infrastructure that has serviced the area for more than half a century.

"The proposed upgrade will replace all existing equipment, enclose new-and-improved technology within buildings and aim to provide local residents with a more visually appealing site overall," Mr Popple said.

"The new terminal station will result in a much-improved facility for the local community and a more reliable electricity network for Richmond and surrounding suburbs.

"We are committed to consulting with residents and businesses in the immediate area of the Richmond Terminal Station, to provide accurate and timely information to those who may be impacted and seek community and stakeholder feedback.

"We have set up a comprehensive consultation program designed to inform and engage with the community, explaining the benefits of the project and listening to feedback. We are confident that the upgrade will balance the energy needs of local residents as well as the social and economic impacts and wellbeing of the wider community.

"We have engaged architects to develop an improved facility that will provide infrastructure that is less imposing and consist of much-improved technology," Mr Popple said.

Located in Mary St, Richmond, Mr Popple said the Richmond Terminal Station was an integral part of Victoria's electricity infrastructure.

"As an essential part of Richmond's electricity supply, the upgrade will need to be undertaken in stages to remain operational," Mr Popple said.

"This is a major investment in energy infrastructure and reinforces our commitment to enhancing and improving services to customers that will support their future energy demands," he said.

For further information about the proposed upgrade or how to get involved, visit www.sp-ausnet.com.au, phone 1300 4636 787 or email richmondts@sp-ausnet.com.au.

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