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SP AusNet invests \$3 million in gas infrastructure to support growth in Werribee

Supplier of natural gas to Western Victoria SP AusNet, has recently completed a \$3 million upgrade to improve the gas network in Werribee, helping more than 50,000 customers to have a safe and reliable gas supply for years to come.

SP AusNet's Gas Network Asset Manager Elias Raffoul said this is one of many strategic projects scheduled this year that is aimed at managing increasing network demand and accommodating the urban growth in Western Victoria.

"The project, which began in 2009, involved SP AusNet working with Wyndham Vale City Council and VicRoads to ensure the construction complied with Council's planning scheme with minimal impact to the surrounding environment and road infrastructure," Mr Raffoul said.

"This project has been staged in two parts - reinforcing the mains along Ballan Road and building a new delivery point to Werribee by constructing the Wyndham Vale City Gate.

"The Wyndham Vale City Gate will act as another injection source feeding gas into the west of the existing Werribee network, providing additional security of gas supply to the area," Mr Raffoul said.

"SP AusNet's gas network in Western Victoria has been growing at an incredible rate over the past few years as existing suburbs expand and new suburbs are constructed in the western growth corridors. Specifically, Werribee and surrounding suburbs are anticipated to expand by more than 25,000 new homes in the next 20 years.

"SP AusNet continues its commitment to providing a reliable and safe gas supply to all its customers. Last year SP AusNet spent more than \$100 million on maintaining, upgrading and expanding its gas distribution network," Mr Raffoul said.

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