



## Media Release

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### Origin Energy site tour at Spring Gully

Origin Energy CSG Limited held a site tour at its Spring Gully property on 4 November for representatives from Local Councils, Government departments and local landowners.

Visitors were given an overview of activities covering issues such as construction of a gas processing plant, construction of water storage ponds and environmental matters. So far, 48 wells have been drilled as part of the exploration program in the area.

While on site, the Bungil Shire Council and Origin Energy jointly announced an agreement had been reached on the sealing of the Wybara Road. Council advised this work should commence shortly.

Construction work on a 90 km transmission pipeline between Spring Gully and Wallumbilla has commenced and is expected to be completed by February 2005. To house construction personnel, a camp capable of accommodating 120 people has been built on site. After commissioning of the gas processing plant and construction of the water storage ponds, the site will be operated by a permanent work crew of 50 personnel.

Origin also announced that it is seeking development approvals from Government for a proposed high efficiency coal seam gas-fired Power Station at Spring Gully - as foreshadowed in a company media release on 19 October 2004. Undertaking the development approvals and community consultation process will provide Origin with greater flexibility in responding to market conditions as they evolve in the next few years. The approvals process is expected to take place over the next 12-18 months, after which the final decision will be made on the project proceeding. A similar Power Station development approvals process is underway in Western Victoria.

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