

# FAQS

## HAZELWOOD POWER STATION



## STATION DECOMMISSIONING

### CHIMNEY STACKS

#### When were they built?

Construction of the chimneys started with the rest of the Station in the 1960s. The most visible part of the Station, they are 137 metres high, have a diameter of 11 metres at the base, are 7.4 metres wide at the top and constructed as self-supporting steel reinforced concrete with a lining of fire brick.

#### What will happen to the chimneys at Hazelwood Power Station?

These chimneys have exceeded their design life by more than 20 years. Recent routine maintenance work should see them through to the demolition stage of our project, however further inspections to confirm this will be carried out early in 2018 as part of the care and maintenance program.

#### We noticed work being done on the chimneys - why do this if they will be knocked down?

This work was part of a routine maintenance project on all eight Hazelwood chimneys. It started 12 months ago and was safely completed in May. It was carried out by specialist contractor, Absafe, whose employees are highly trained and skilled in high rope access work.

#### Are the chimneys safe?

Yes. They are safe. This recent maintenance project was to ensure the integrity of the chimneys. Our focus now is on care and maintenance of these structures.



#### When will they be demolished?

The recent routine maintenance project was to make the chimneys safe until the demolition stage of the Hazelwood Project. After decommissioning, which is currently taking place, there will be extensive consultation with the regulators around the final condition of the site and then tendering of contracts for work during the demolition stage. It is not known exactly when demolition of any infrastructure will occur at this stage.

