



Media Release



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Hazelwood responds to Latrobe City Council meeting

ENGIE Hazelwood is open to continue discussions with Energy Brix Australia (EBAC) and the EPA Victoria on a common asbestos landfill.

This follows Latrobe City Council's deferral on Monday night of a decision on the EBAC asbestos cell.

ENGIE Hazelwood and EBAC held discussions with the EPA Victoria in early 2017 to explore the opportunity of combining asbestos disposal requirements.

Mr Innocenzi said those discussions found the proposal was not viable for either company to entertain and could not readily satisfy environmental regulatory conditions.

"While ENGIE appreciates the Latrobe City Council's views, we operate under strict requirements within our EPA Victoria Licence and it prohibits ENGIE from depositing wastes that are not generated from its premises," he said.

Following Latrobe City Council's meeting in June this year, ENGIE Hazelwood facilitated a tour of the Hazelwood site by councillors, the EPA and EBAC to assist discussion around the EBAC asbestos disposal issue.

Mr Innocenzi said combining asbestos disposal at the one site was a very complex process, has previously been ruled unlikely to meet EPA regulatory requirements, and would take considerable time to work through with or without the added complexity of a land sale.

"We acknowledge this is a complex and difficult regulatory path to proceed, and remain happy to engage in further discussions with EPA Victoria should circumstances change."

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