



## STATEMENT FROM FLINDERS POWER RE AUGUSTA POWER STATIONS' SITE

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### Status update

#### Interim Management

- Aerial application of suppressant at the Augusta Power Stations' ash storage area continued today in a uniform manner to cover the entire ash storage area with new supplies of suppressant arriving from interstate.
- This approach will continue over the next few weeks and is in addition to the use of water carts.

#### Long Term Solution

- Over the weekend, in excess of 100 loads of topsoil were placed on the surface of the ash storage area and were pushed out - constructing the first "access finger."
- 4 trucks continue to operate today placing topsoil onto the ash storage area surface to continue building the "access finger".

Flinders Power continues to work closely with all the relevant Government agencies.

### Background

Last Wednesday (Jan 4) Flinders Power commenced the aerial application of suppressant on the ash storage area to replace dust suppressant impacted by severe weather. The company applied dust suppressant on the ash storage area late last year to prevent dust being emitted in windy conditions. The suppressant had been effective as an interim dust control measure prior to the commencement of permanent rehabilitation activities. However, bad weather had impacted – negatively – on what is normally an effective 'treatment'.

A long term solution for the rehabilitation of the ash storage area has commenced and involves the application of topsoil, seeded with native plants and grasses, which will cover the entire ash storage area. The application of topsoil over the ash is considered the most effective process for the long term management of the area. This work will continue over the next six months with appropriate mitigation measures to be used to manage dust that may be generated during the topsoil application.

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