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## GREENPOWER

The fourth GreenPower Quarterly Status Report for 2007 has been released. The report covers the period from 1 October to 31 December and is available on the national GreenPower website at [www.greenpower.gov.au](http://www.greenpower.gov.au)

Key achievements for the fourth quarter of 2007 include:

- Over 6,000 Australian households and businesses made the switch to GreenPower every week;
- There were more than 724,000 customers subscribing to GreenPower at the end of December, an increase of nearly 79,000 customers or 12 per cent in three months; and
- GreenPower sales for the quarter were 349,197MWh, breaking the record for sales for the third consecutive quarter.

### Quarterly Status of National GreenPower Accreditation Program

	NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	ACT	Total
Residential Customers	189,740	265,505	153,279	70,094	7,077	10,189	695,885
Commercial Customers	12,343	9,320	3,465	2,362	962	166	28,621
<b>Total GreenPower Customers (net change this quarter)</b>	<b>202,083</b> <b>(+20,790)</b>	<b>274,825</b> <b>(+22,712)</b>	<b>156,744</b> <b>(+29,406)</b>	<b>72,456</b> <b>(+4,516)</b>	<b>8,039</b> <b>(+1,594)</b>	<b>10,355</b> <b>(-23)</b>	<b>724,506</b> <b>(+78,995)</b>
GreenPower Sales to Residential Customers (MWh)	41,563	55,283	30,663	14,099	6,336	6,856	154,800
GreenPower Sales to Commercial Customers (MWh)	69,311	63,423	26,360	9,895	7,342	18,009	194,397
<b>Total GreenPower Sales (MWh)</b>	<b>110,874</b>	<b>118,705</b>	<b>57,023</b>	<b>23,994</b>	<b>13,678</b>	<b>24,865</b>	<b>349,197</b>

## **NEW GREENPOWER ACCREDITED GENERATORS**

### ***CAPITAL WIND FARM***

Renewable Power Ventures has received accreditation for Capital Wind Farm located at Bungendore, New South Wales. The project consists of 63 wind turbines to be fully commissioned by July 2009.

### ***MEANDER DAM MINI-HYDRO***

Tasmanian Rivers and Water Supply Commission has received accreditation for Meander Dam Mini-Hydro. This Mini-Hydro was built on an irrigation dam at Meander, Tasmania.

### ***ORIGIN SMALL PV***

Origin Energy has received accreditation for 224 household solar photovoltaic systems in various states as a single generator.

### ***THE DROP HYDRO***

Country Energy has received accreditation for The Drop Hydro in New South Wales. This facility is owned by Pacific Hydro and was built on an existing irrigation canal at Berrigan, New South Wales.

### ***HALLETT WIND FARM***

AGL Hydro Partnership has received accreditation for Hallett Wind Farm located at Conowie, South Australia. The project consists of 45 wind turbines and is expected to be commissioned in March 2008.

### ***BROADWATER POWER STATION***

Delta Electricity has received approval for an upgrade to the GreenPower accreditation for Broadwater Power Station in Broadwater New South Wales with the power station consisting of a new base load bagasse fuelled generator and upgrade works for the existing generator. The new power station is expected to be fully operational in April 2008.

### ***BUILDING 46 SOLAR***

Sydney Olympic Park Authority has received accreditation for Building 46 Solar at Sydney Olympic Park, New South Wales. The rooftop solar system was commissioned in December 2007.

## **GREENPOWER PROGRAM RULES**

A new version of the GreenPower Program Rules (formerly known as the GreenPower Accreditation Document) was released in January 2008. The major changes in the new Version 4 are:

- The introduction of a GreenPower Provider fee of \$5,000 per annum; and
- The requirement to surrender all Renewable Energy Certificates transferred up to the end of the 2007 settlement period as part of the 2007 annual audit and then annually as part of the audit process.

## **GREENPOWER MARKETING GUIDELINES**

A new version of the GreenPower Marketing Guidelines (formerly known as the GreenPower Logo Usage Guidelines) was also released in January 2008. The major change contained in the new document relates to the description of backfill in GreenPower Products no longer being permitted in marketing material.

## **ACTEWAGL GIVES GREEN ENERGY BOOST TO EARTH HOUR**

At 8.00pm on Saturday 29 March 2008, Canberra will join other cities around the world in switching off its lights for one hour – Earth Hour – to take a stand against global warming. In an unprecedented effort to support the initiative, Canberra-based energy provider, ActewAGL, will purchase enough GreenPower to offset the remaining essential electricity used by Canberra during Earth Hour.

ActewAGL Chief Executive Officer John Mackay said, "ActewAGL is committed to environmentally sustainable practices and we're proud to demonstrate this commitment by being a major supporter of the Earth Hour initiative in the ACT, along with WWF-Australia, The Canberra Times, Canberra CBD Limited and the ACT Government."

"Earth Hour is about taking simple steps everyday that collectively reduce carbon emissions – from businesses turning off their lights when their offices are empty to households turning off appliances rather than leaving them on standby."

"Through this GreenPower initiative the amount of electricity saved in just one hour will be the equivalent of taking up to 60 cars off the road for an entire year."

"I urge all members of the community to support Earth Hour by switching off their lights at 8.00pm on March 29, because the greenest unit of energy is the one that we don't use at all."

For more information about Earth Hour, or to sign up, visit [www.earthhour.org](http://www.earthhour.org)