

The Town Reserves Regularisation Project

This newsletter is to inform you about the Town Reserves Regularisation Project in the Kimberley region. A joint Department of Housing and Works and Horizon Power project to regularise the power supply arrangements in Indigenous Town Reserve communities.

Distribution Network Upgrades Underway

Complete Underground Services is currently completing undergrounding of the distribution network in Nicholson Camp, Halls Creek, and will then complete Red Hill (Lundja), Halls Creek by the end of November. Unfortunately the timetable for the upgrades has been delayed due to rocky ground conditions encountered at Fitzroy Crossing.



Trenching is underway in Nicholson Camp, Halls Creek

To maximise the work that can be undertaken before the commencement of the wet season, the crew will move to Derby, and commence work in Budulah and Djimund Nugda communities in early December, then return to complete the work in these communities and Karmulinunga and Burununga in early 2007.

It is expected that the upgrades in Guda Guda and Warrayu communities in Wyndham will commence in 2nd Quarter 2007. Customers in these communities have already been using Horizon Power's

pre-payment metering product *Ready Power*, for the last year.

Contractual arrangements are being finalised for the distribution network upgrade in Nillir Irbanjin, Broome, which will commence early in 2007.

Ready Power

Following the upgrade of the distribution network and installation of individual meters on all premises, residents of the Town Reserve communities in Derby and Broome will be converted to Horizon Power's *Ready Power*. Some of these communities are already successfully using their own community prepayment meter system in managing their Horizon Power master meter account. The master meters will be removed as part of the upgrade work.

Horizon Power *Ready Power* cards will soon be sold from retail outlets instead of the Western Power branded cards. New "Point

of sale" and "Where to buy your *Ready Power* cards" posters have been installed in the communities and retail outlets where *Ready Power* is already available to customers.

The new cards will look like this.



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Timetable

Community	Network Upgrade
Nicholson Camp, Halls Creek	October 2006
Red Hill (Lundja), Halls Creek	November 2006
Budulah & Djimund Nugda	December 2006
Karmulinunga & Burununga, Derby	January 2007
Nillir Irbanjin, Broome	1st quarter 2007
Guda Guda & Warrayu, Wyndham	From April 2007

