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Alyth substation progress

Since the site re-opened after the festive break, good progress continues to be made.

The installation of our GIS (Gas Insulated Switchgear) equipment resumed, as well as the outdoor structures and equipment. Having now completed the primary installation of our GIS equipment, our Contractor has been able to make a start on the commissioning of all plant and equipment.

In March, the DNO (Distribution Network Operator) connection will be completed and this will further allow us to progress with commissioning.

Our Statcom Transformer (SCT) arrived at the site on Sunday 12 February and we were pleased to see this critical item of plant delivered.

Overall, works continue to proceed according to programme and we do not anticipate any issues with achieving the October 2023 completion date.

Upcoming activities

As we look towards quarter 2 of 2023, our focus moves to the final stages of the substation build.

We will re-establish our interface management meetings between the substation and OHL Contractors and ensure that all parties know what is expected of them when the time comes to start the energisation process in the Summer of 2023.

Outages are booked on the national grid network, so that we can fully test and energise the various substation parts in a pre-determined sequence, and the labourers who delivered most of the physical works will move on to the next big construction project.

It will be a quiet time for the substation build from April – June as most of our works are indoors with wiring of panels and testing of signals etc. These essential works are all necessary as we look forward to successfully completing the project in October 2023.



Alyth SCT arriving at site on Sunday 12 February.
A big milestone for the project achieved.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Community Liaison Manager:

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