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AGL negotiates new commercial agreement with Alcoa

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AGL Energy Limited (AGL) today announced that it has finalised a new four year agreement to supply electricity to the Portland Smelter Joint Venture Participants' (Alcoa) aluminium smelter in Portland, Victoria. The agreement takes effect from August 2017 when the existing supply contract ends.

AGL Executive General Manager Energy Markets, Stephen Mikkelsen, said: "AGL is very pleased, as one of Victoria's electricity suppliers, it can play a part in helping to secure the future of the Portland Smelter and the community that it supports."

The agreement represents a mutually beneficial outcome on commercial terms and is the result of over five months' negotiation. The contract is for a volume of 510MW, which is approximately the equivalent of 10 percent of Victoria's total electricity load. The contract will provide AGL with additional flexibility including rights in relation to the curtailment of the smelter at times of high electricity spot price. AGL also obtains the certainty of Alcoa's commitment to the four year contract.

"All parties involved have worked exceptionally hard to achieve this outcome. AGL notes the key role that Victorian Premier Andrews and Treasurer Pallas performed in facilitating the negotiation. We also acknowledge the contribution of the Federal Government through Minister Hunt and local Federal MP Minister Tehan," said Mr Mikkelsen.

AGL's diverse portfolio of energy generation means this contract will be supplied by a mix of both thermal and renewable generation.

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About AGL

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