

VICTORIAN DESALINATION PROJECT

MEDIA RELEASE



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LOCAL COMMUNITY TO BENEFIT AS DESAL DEMOBILISES

Friday 6 October 2012

The local Anglican Church and Lions Club have been distributing office furniture and equipment from the desalination plant into the community over recent weeks as worker numbers continue to reduce.

Working together to 'demobilise' items used during the construction phase of the project, the Anglican Parish of Wonthaggi & Inverloch and Lions Club of Wonthaggi have joined forces to manage the distribution of items donated by Thies Degrémont.

Community groups and schools have started to receive office furniture, stationery, whitegoods and building material.

Smaller items are being donated, whilst other items are being 'sold' for a token amount, with all proceeds returning to the community via the Anglican Church and the Lions Club.

"We've brought in many truckloads of office equipment, boxes of stationery and various types of building materials. Some of these items are in great condition and we would now like to donate it into the community," says Karen Lee, community relations manager for Thies Degrémont.

"The local community has been extremely accepting and welcoming of us whilst we build this project. This is just another small thing we can do before we leave town."

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Media opportunity

Representatives from Anglican Parish of Wonthaggi & Inverloch, Lions Club of Wonthaggi, Thies Degrémont and Wonthaggi Theatrical Group will be available for interviews and photos.

Date: Monday 8 October 2012

Time: 9.30am

Location: State Coal Mine, Garden St Wonthaggi

For further details, to RSVP to the media opportunity or request high resolution images, please contact:

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About AquaSure

AquaSure has been contracted by the Victorian Government to deliver the \$3.5 billion Victorian Desalination Project. AquaSure brings together leaders in the fields of infrastructure design, construction, and finance.

About Thiess Degrémont

Thiess Degrémont is AquaSure's design and construct contractor, responsible for delivering Australia's largest desalination plant. Thiess Degrémont is a joint venture between Thiess, one of Australia's largest and most trusted construction and services companies, and Degrémont, world water treatment specialist and a key player in sustainable water development.

About Anglican Parish of Wonthaggi & Inverloch

The Anglican Parish of Wonthaggi & Inverloch is actively involved in seeking to show God's love as it serves the community through its Op Shop in Cashin Street Inverloch, the welfare office in Wonthaggi & the regular community meal program running Monday nights at St George's in Wonthaggi.

About Lions Club of Wonthaggi

Lions Club of Wonthaggi has been serving the local community for over 50 years and is the longest serving Lions Club in Gippsland. Through dedicated volunteers Lions clubs around the globe serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding.