

### **Macgen Moots Methane Pipe**

Macquarie Generation is proposing to construct pipelines to supply methane gas as supplementary fuel to Liddell Power Station. The gas would be collected from nearby Hunter Valley underground coal mines. “The project would provide mines with the means to dispose of methane gas, therefore reducing the greenhouse gas impact of the coal mining process and enable Macquarie Generation to then utilise the gas for electricity generation, further reducing greenhouse gas emissions,” says a company statement. The project has the potential to eliminate some 41 million tonnes of greenhouse gas by 2020. The proposal would be the first known large scale implementation of supplementary methane gas fuel in an Australian coal-fired power station.

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