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Connecting Winchelsea to natural gas

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Connecting Gas to Winchelsea, Avoca, Bannockburn and Huntly

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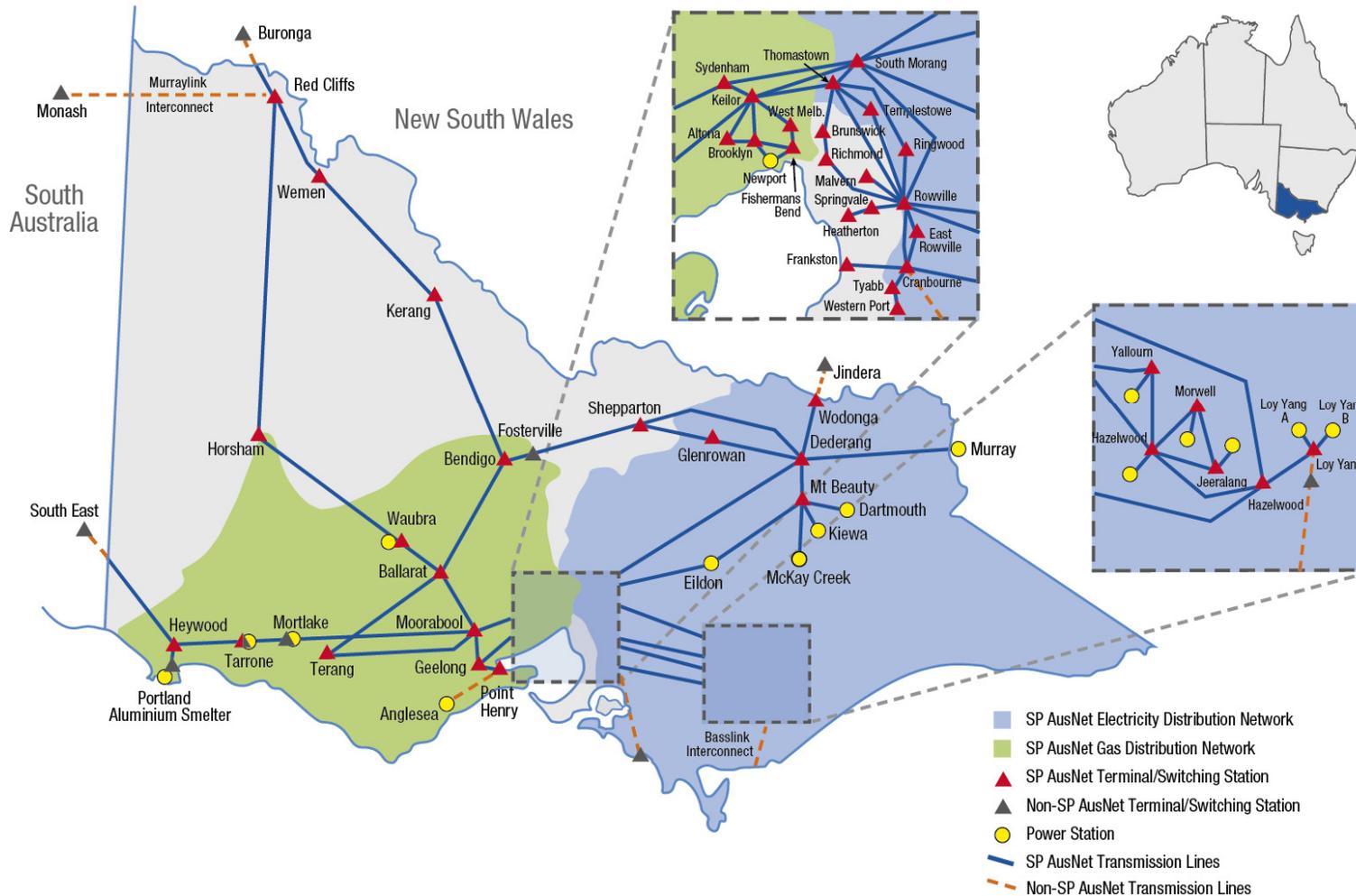
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Who is SP AusNet



SP AusNet's electricity and gas networks



- **Gas Distribution**
- 10,022 kms of pipe
- 638,113 customers

Electricity Transmission

- 6,573 kms lines
- 13,000 towers

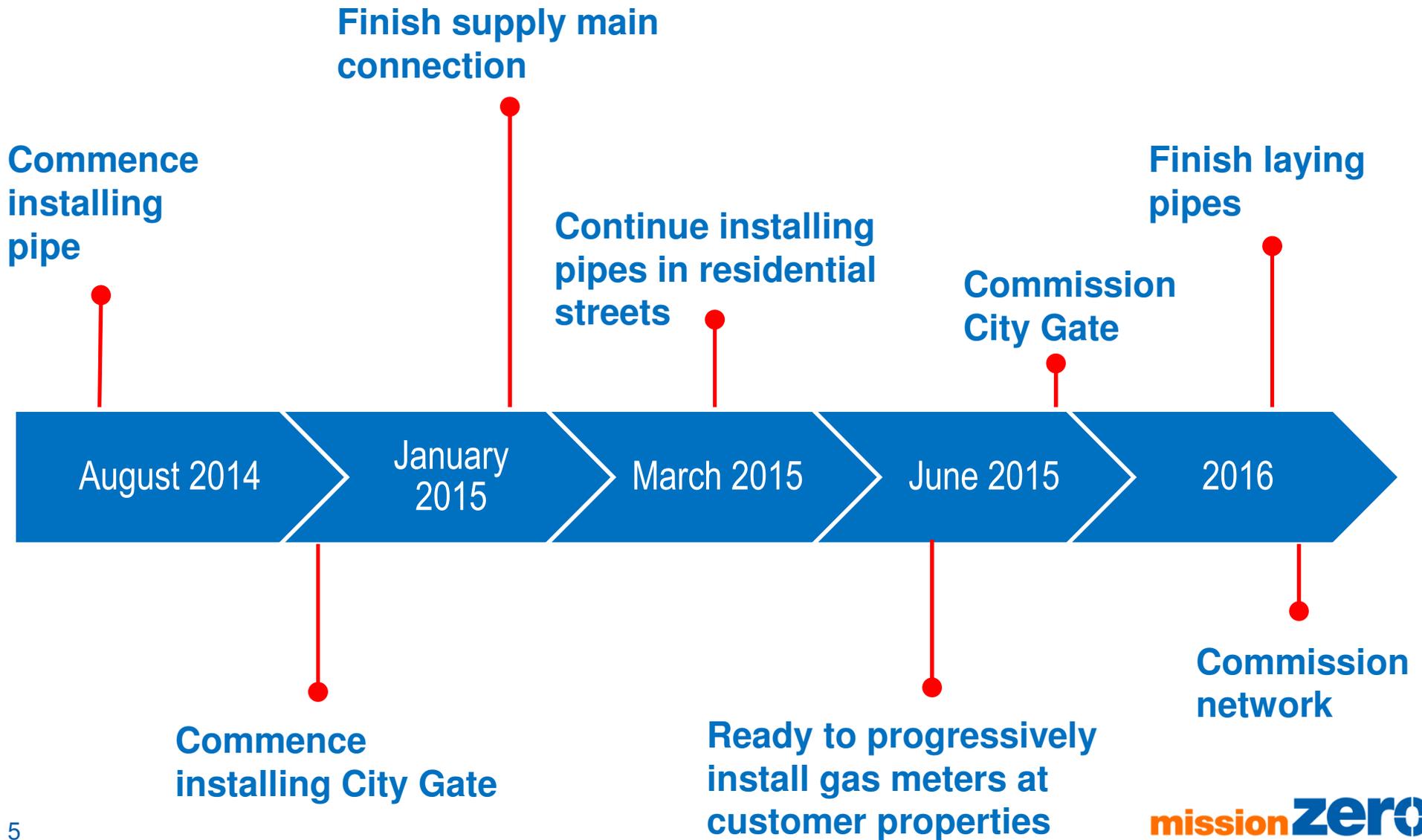
Electricity Distribution

- 49,512 kms of lines
- 658,461 customers



- SP AusNet is connecting 4 towns to its natural gas network
 - *Huntly*, Avoca, Winchelsea and Bannockburn
- Stakeholder engagement process
 - Official announcement / launch by the Minister
 - Present to council (CEO and exec team)
 - Present to councillors
 - Write to all residents
 - Community Forum
 - Signage on main roads
 - Dedicated email and phone for the project
 - Be available for all enquiries
 - Project manage the installation of the city gate, gas pipe and customer connections

Project timeline



Project considerations



- Full environmental and cultural heritage management plan to be developed
- Obtain approval from all relevant state and federal government bodies:
 - Relevant Shire Council
 - VicRoads
 - Department of Environment and Primary Industries (DEPI)
 - Representatives from the local Aboriginal Clans Corporation
- **Liaise closely with the community**
 - Signs to be erected at the major entry points into each town
 - Community forum to be arranged
 - Newspaper and e-newsletter articles to be written
 - Undertake work cleanly and quietly
 - Work will be done Monday – Friday 7.00am to 5.00pm

Energy for the Regions



- Remembering each town is unique
 - City Gates
 - Supply Mains
 - Reticulation
 - Industrial Commercial precincts
 - Rail crossings
 - River crossings
 - Bridges
 - Number of customers
 - Depot locations

Pressure reduction stations – City gates



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Putting pipe in the ground using HDD



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Putting pipe in the ground using HDD



Other issues



Information for customers



How to apply for connection to natural gas



1st step

- Apply for connection with a gas retail company.
- Gas retailer places an order with SP AusNet to install a service pipe from the street to your house.



2nd step

- Customer engages plumber/gas fitter to run any internal pipework to the location of the connection.
- Customer/plumber contacts gas retail company to request meter installation



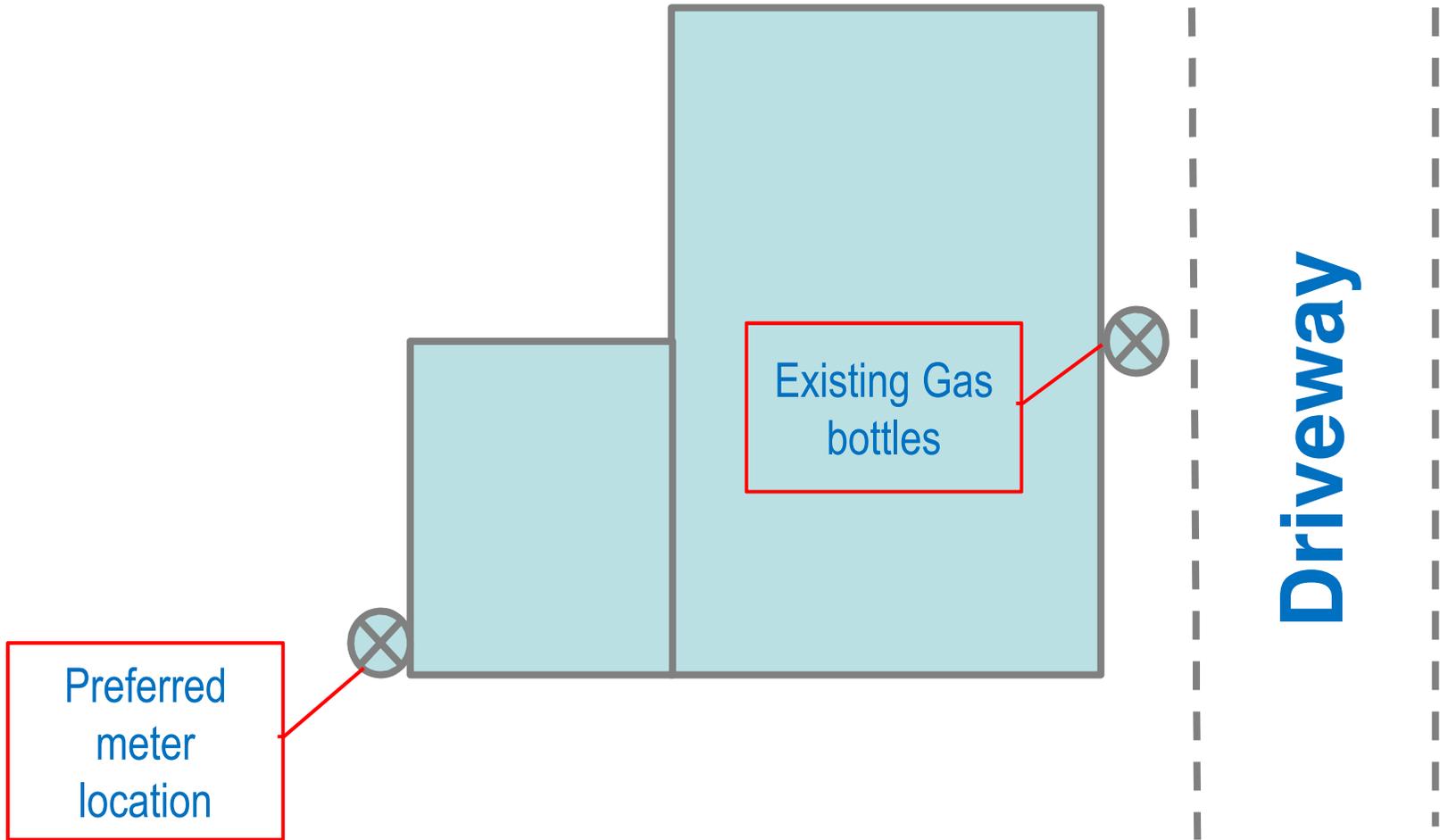
Final step

- SP AusNet's installation contractor will return and install the meter



- There are many benefits associated with natural gas
 - Cheaper than LPG
 - Cheaper than electricity
 - Cleaner than wood
 - Connection to the main supply means no more LPG bottles or collecting, chopping, storing wood
 - Wider appliance choice for heating, cooking and hot water
 - Environmentally friendly
 - Highly reliable

Locating the meter



Gas retailers



Retailer	Website	Phone
AGL	www.agl.com.au	13 12 45
Alinta	www.alintaenergy.com.au	13 37 02
Australian Power & Gas	www.australianpowerandgas.com.au	13 32 98
Click Energy	www.clickenergy.com.au	1300 669 432
Diamond Energy	www.diamondenergy.com.au	1300 838 009
Dodo Power & Gas	www.dodo.com	13 36 36
Energy Australia	www.energyaustralia.com.au	1800 818 378
ERM Business Energy	www.ermpower.com.au	13 43 76
Lumo Energy	www.lumoenergy.com.au	1300 364 720
Momentum Energy	www.momentumenergy.com.au	1800 794 824
Neighbourhood Energy	www.neighbourhood.com.au	1300 764 860
Origin Energy	www.originenergy.com.au	13 24 63
QEnergy	www.qenergy.com.au	1300 448 535
People Energy	www.peopleenergy.com.au	1300 788 970
Powerdirect	www.powerdirect.com.au	1300 307 966
Powershop	www.powershop.com.au	1800 462 668
Red Energy	www.redenergy.com.au	13 18 06
Simply Energy	www.simplyenergy.com.au	1800 009 147

For more information



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