

## Media Release

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### **Electricity industry lights up Hannah's House**

Representatives from the electricity industry swapped their keyboards for bowling balls to raise \$20,000 for Ipswich charity Hannah's House.

Hannah's House has provided accommodation for homeless and at risk young women for the past 30 years.

The annual *Stanwell Classic* lawn bowls tournament, hosted by Stanwell at Merthyr Bowls Club in Brisbane on Thursday 20 October, raised more than \$40,000 that was divided between the local charity and Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS).

Marie Dixon, Coordinator, Hannah's House, said she was thrilled to have such tremendous support from the electricity industry.

"This is the first time the electricity industry has banded together to help us with the operating costs of our young women's shelter and the associated programs we offer to those in need," Ms Dixon said.

"We are thrilled to have their support as it means we can deliver an additional early intervention program that we had been planning, but were unable to fund until now. It will also mean we can continue to support our long term vision for Hannah's House," she said.

"Hannah's House has been operating in the Ipswich area since 1982, offering fully supported crisis accommodation for at risk women aged 13-17 years.

"The centre is staffed 24 hours a day with experienced youth workers, and provides living skills programs, links to support networks in the community, and opportunities to continue or enter education, training or work."

Swanbank Power Station has been a supporter of Hannah's House for some time now, with station employees contributing to the charity via their payroll and the company providing on-going support for the long term.

Acting Site Manager for Stanwell's Swanbank Power Station, Dave Barram, said he was impressed by the electricity industry's overwhelming support of Hannah's House and the RFDS.

"Thirteen organisations from the electricity industry have pulled together to show their support for these charities by taking part in the *Stanwell Classic*," Mr Barram said.

"This is a fantastic display of the willingness that exists within the industry to help those less fortunate than themselves," he said.

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“Hannah’s House plays an important role in the Ipswich community by providing support to young women in need. It is an honour to be able to support a charity that is fulfilling such an invaluable community service.

“As a member of the Queensland community, Stanwell recognises the importance of supporting the community through a range of activities—economic, environmental and social.

“Our social investment in our communities, through sponsorships and donations, is an important element of our business.

“It is through our affiliation with not-for-profit organisations like Hannah’s House that we are able to positively contribute to the communities in which we operate.”

The organisations that took part in this year’s *Stanwell Classic* were: Alinta Energy, ANZ, Arcadia Energy, Arrow Energy, Australian Power & Gas, BGC, Ergon Energy, High Voltage, ICAP, Ignition Energy, MF Global, Nextgen, TFS and Stanwell Corporation Limited.

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### Background

Stanwell Corporation is Queensland’s largest power generator, with the installed capacity to supply more than 45 per cent of the state’s peak power needs.

Established on 1 July 2011 and owned by the Queensland Government, Stanwell is the owner and operator of:

- 1446.9 MW Stanwell Power Station (coal) near Rockhampton
- 1415 MW Tarong Power Station (coal) in the South Burnett
- 443 MW Tarong North Power Station (super-critical coal) in the South Burnett
- 385 MW Swanbank E Power Station (gas) near Ipswich
- 125 MW Swanbank B Power Station (coal) near Ipswich
- 325 MW Mica Creek Power Station (gas) near Mount Isa (not connected to the NEM)
- 86.4 MW Kareeya Power Station (hydro) in Far North Queensland
- 63 MW Barron Gorge Power Station (hydro) in Far North Queensland
- 32 MW Mackay Power Station (gas) in Central Queensland
- 7.3 MW Koombooloomba Power Station (hydro) in Far North Queensland
- 4.7 MW Wivenhoe Small (hydro) located at Wivenhoe Dam

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Stanwell owns Meandu Mine, which has the capacity to supply up to seven million tonnes of coal a year to the adjacent Tarong power stations. It has a coal supply agreement with Wesfarmers Resources' Curragh Mine that includes the sharing of revenue from coal exports. Stanwell also has gas interests, including an equity stake in Blue Energy Limited.

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