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## Strathalbyn power supply upgrade to meet increasing demand

ETSA Utilities is responding to growth in the Strathalbyn area, with a \$1.3 million investment to upgrade the Strathalbyn substation.

The substation currently serves about 7,500 customers.

General Manager, Services, Sue Filby, said local customer demand had been growing by 3.3 percent per annum since 2000-2001.

"We're expecting even higher growth in the next five years due to residential developments and support for the new Terramin mine at Strathalbyn East.

"ETSA Utilities monitors current and future demand to ensure we keep up with the economic growth of the state. It's exciting to see Strathalbyn sharing in the state's growth," she said.

ETSA Utilities will install a 10MVA 66/11kV transformer, as well as new 66kV and 11 kV circuit breakers at the substation.

Ms Filby said the local council had been advised about the development.

She said the development was part of a \$166 million investment in the South Australian electricity distribution network in 2008.

New powerlines are being added to the network, substations upgraded and hundreds of street transformers replaced.

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