

Media statement

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Basslink issue

Basslink has advised that the interconnector experienced an outage at 6.18am this morning. It is believed the issue relates to a piece of apparatus in Victoria, housed at its Loy Yang converter station.

Such an outage is not an unusual occurrence across the electricity network. Basslink is investigating the exact cause and hopes to have the issue rectified as soon as possible.

The equipment at the centre of the outage is in no way related to the subsea cable fault which occurred on December 20.

No further comment will be provided at this stage.

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The Basslink Interconnector enhances security of supply on both sides of Bass Strait; protecting Tasmania against the risk of drought-constrained energy shortages while providing Victoria and southern states with secure renewable energy during times of peak demand. The Basslink Interconnector is the world's second longest undersea electricity cable. Owned by Keppel Infrastructure Trust, Basslink delivers excellence in the areas of safety, reliability and performance.

Basslink has a number of fibre optic assets which carry high speed telecommunication traffic. Basslink Telecoms offers a range of wholesale transmission services between Tasmania and Victoria.