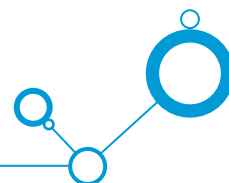


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About the Long Island Point Fractionation Plant

The Esso/BHP Billiton Long Island Point (LIP) Fractionation Plant plays a vital role in the Bass Strait production system, carrying out the final stage in the processing of gas liquids (ethane, propane and butane) and storing crude oil prior to distribution to refineries in Australia and overseas.

Since operations commenced in 1969, LIP has processed almost two-thirds of Australia's cumulative oil production to date and 30% of Australia's gas liquids production.



Water use at Long Island Point

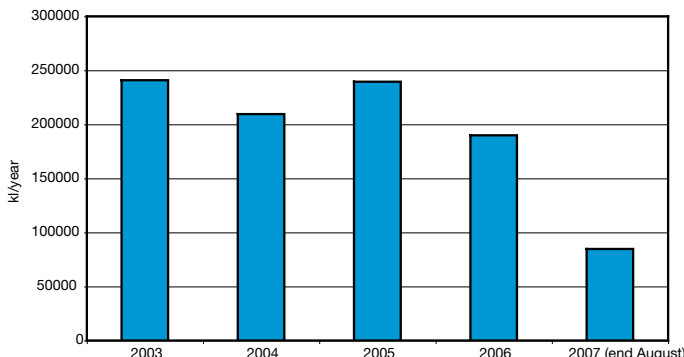
The prolonged drought that has gripped Australia has reinforced the importance of water conservation. We have paid increasing attention to water use in our major facilities.

While water is essential to the production and processing of oil and gas, we are improving our water management practices across all our facilities.

LIP had its lowest water use on record in 2006, and in 2007 we have reduced our water use by a further 36% to date – the equivalent of 350 households' annual water use.

We have achieved this through establishing a site-wide Water Conservation Team to identify water savings. In early 2007 we switched from a manual to an automated flare suppression system. The new automatic system more accurately synchronises the amount of water used with the volume of gas combusted at the flare tip. This saves an estimated 55 megalitres (ML) of water per year, or the equivalent of almost two million 3-minute showers.

LIP Plant Potable Water Usage



Several other initiatives are being implemented, such as air compressor upgrades, which will save around 1ML water per year, and changes in our approach to fire system testing, which could save up to 3.5ML per year.

We are investing in these initiatives to meet our corporate environmental objective of 'Protect Tomorrow. Today'.



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