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KCGM prepares for possible power loss

As a result of the explosion at the Apache gas plant, KCGM is preparing for the possible loss of power to its operations. KCGM receives its power through the largely gas-powered Parkeston Power Station.

“Although we are still uncertain what the actual impact will be, KCGM is moving quickly to source possible power alternatives to ensure there is minimal impact to production,” said KCGM General Manager Russell Cole.

At the moment a power ‘stocktake’ is underway, and KCGM is working with its Joint Venture owners to prepare and approve contingency plans if a site power shut down looks imminent.

“We are but one of many major customers that are potentially going to be impacted by this unfortunate situation. There are a large number of people working to resolve the continuity of supply all along the line and with some luck the contingency plans may not be needed – but it is better to be safe than sorry.”

“However, in the event of a major power disruption all is not totally lost,” said Mr Cole.

“Apart from hopefully keeping parts of the site operational, we’ll also be bringing forward internal training and site maintenance to keep our employees busy.”

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