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Media Release

Cogeneration Powers On

A cogeneration system will be installed at the Wangaratta Indoor Sports and Aquatic Centre in the coming months by Floyd Industries Pty Ltd. Floyd Industries was the successful tenderer for the installation of the technology to reduce the energy use at the Sports Centre.

The project has received funding from the Department of Resources, Energy and Tourism as a part of the Community Energy Efficiency Program. The Federal Government has allocated \$307,000 towards the project, which is matched by Council. The power savings are projected to pay for the project within 7 years.

Mr Robert Floyd Director of Floyd Industries states, "Already used in Australia and overseas, cogeneration involves the installation of natural gas powered engines which generate electricity on site. The excess heat produced by the plant is harnessed and used to heat the pool and shower water, and building in winter, dramatically reducing the need for WISAC to buy electricity and decreasing the carbon emissions in the process."

The Rural City of Wangaratta's Director of Infrastructure Services, Alan Clark says "This recreation centre is one of Councils highest used facility, demanding power 363 days a year, from early exercisers in the morning until late stadium games in the evening. The energy savings will continue for the centre with solar hot water units being added as a part of the project.

A capstone unit will be installed to provide a cheaper and greener form of power to the centre.

Floyd Industries is proud to be associated with such an innovative project and commend the Rural City of Wangaratta for their vision in seeking to provide superior facilities at lower dollar and environmental costs for the residents of Wangaratta.