



Princes Laundry Kunda Park Plant Manager Garry Connell (right) and ENERGEX Account Manager Brett Krebs discuss the benefits of ENERGEX's remote telemetry reading service

## Premium gas keeps “whites whiter”

**For Australia's oldest laundry service nothing could be more important than getting “whites whiter”, while reducing greenhouse gas emissions and energy costs.**

With a 100-year birthday on the way, Princes Laundry Service relies on ENERGEX premium-grade natural gas and Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG – butane and propane) to stop soot from its dryers turning the washing grey. That means crisp, white laundered sheets are not coming at a high cost to Princes Laundry Service customers.

Founded in 1905, Princes Laundry Service has five facilities – three in Victoria and two in Queensland – and is renowned as Australia's longest-running commercial launderer.

Chief Executive Officer Jeff Peterson says Princes Laundry Service operates around the clock to deliver fresh laundry to its thousands of customers including hospitals, healthcare companies, hotels and childcare centres.

“Each week our five plants collectively launder about 400 tonnes of linen – that's almost 60,000 loads in an average domestic washing machine,” Jeff said.

Running through the middle of each plant is a 20-metre tunnel, about the size of a cricket pitch, which transports the laundry through a 40-minute washing process. Each plant is equipped with more than 50 machines including industrial dryers, washing machines, steaming irons and laundry presses.

“Our laundry at Kunda Park near Maroochydore, Queensland, has a 20-tonne butane and three-tonne propane tank. We use the butane to power our boilers, propane for the dryers, and of course electricity to power the rest of the plant,” Jeff said.

Garry Connell

“It is very important to our business that the quality of each of our energy sources is of the highest standard, particularly the natural gas and propane, and that's why we chose ENERGEX.

“Because we use natural gas and propane to power our dryers it is vital these gases are of a premium grade, as low-grade gas causes soot to build up in our dryers – turning linen grey,” he said.

“By using a combination of gas and electricity we have been able to reduce our energy bill and become more environmentally friendly.

“Our partnership with ENERGEX is extremely beneficial to our business – not only are we enjoying their competitive pricing, but also their value-added services such as remote telemetry reading on our butane storage tank which means when we get low, ENERGEX automatically arranges a tanker to refill it.

“This is critical to the continued success of our business and means, with ENERGEX's help, we will never run out of gas.”

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