



A fire at Woodside's North-West Shelf gas plant cut gas supplies to WA's power generators.

Burrup blaze hits Perth power

PERTH'S POWER supply was under threat after a fire in Woodside's North-West Shelf gas plant caused a dramatic cut to gas for WA's power generators last week.

The blaze was started by an electrical fault and caused the site to be evacuated and gas burnt off to prevent an explosion, but no deaths or injuries were reported.

The gas plant is the major gas supplier to Perth through the Dampier to Bunbury gas pipeline.

Western Power managing director Doug Aberle said 20 per cent of the State's power generators were affected.

Rolling power cuts were prevented by businesses and homeowners responding to pleas by authorities to use power sparingly and limit air conditioning use.

Woodside has resumed domestic gas production.