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NGCP installs 2.5MVA transformer to restore Amlan hydro plant to the Visayas Grid



Transmission service provider and system operator National Grid Corporation of the Philippines (NGCP) has installed a new 2.5 MVA transformer to restore the connection of the 0.8 MW Amlan Hydro Electric Plant (AHEP) to the Visayas grid.

NGCP's transformer bank, which is a major component of the connection facility, was energized last March 26 after it broke down on November 6, 2010. A day after this connection facility was installed, tested and commissioned, the hydro plant facility located in Amlan, Negros Oriental restored its supply of power to the grid.

National Power Corporation (NAPOCOR) used to own and operate AHEP since the late 1970s until it was privatized in 2009. Due to the damage in the transformers connecting this generation facility to the grid, the power plant ceased to supply power to its contracted customers. Restoration was immediately implemented via the Emergency Installation Project of NGCP in order for this cheap source of power to be delivered to Visayas grid users.