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SHINING START FOR GENEX

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GENEX Power's 50MW Kidston solar project in North Queensland has reached practical completion.

The completion marks the final milestone of the construction and commissioning stages. After producing energy in late 2017, the project has undergone detailed commissioning processes that have allowed for the gradual ramp up to full capacity.

Genex CEO James Harding said engineering, procurement and construction contractor UGL had passed all the required commissioning and performance tests.

Mr Harding said the project would continue to be operated and maintained by UGL for five years with an option for Genex to extend for an additional five years.

He said practical completion was due to the co-operation between Genex, UGL, Ergon Energy and the Australian Energy Market Operator.

Genex has a development pipeline of up to 770MW of renewable energy generation and storage projects underpinned by the Kidston renewable energy hub.

The Kidston hub comprises the 50MW stage one solar project, a 250MW pumped storage hydro project and an integrated solar project of up to 270MW under development and a Kidston stage three wind project under feasibility.



BRIGHT FUTURE: Genex Power's Kidston solar project.