

## EXHIBITION OF CRITICAL STATE SIGNIFICANT INFRASTRUCTURE APPLICATION

### PROJECT ENERGYCONNECT (NSW - WESTERN SECTION)

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<b>Application No</b>	SSI-10040
<b>Location</b>	Between the South Australia / NSW Border and the NSW / Victoria border via the Buronga substation, Arumpo Road, Buronga, NSW.
<b>Proponent</b>	TransGrid
<b>Council Area</b>	Wentworth Shire
<b>Approval Authority</b>	Minister for Planning and Public Spaces

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#### Description of proposal

Development and operation of a new 330 kV transmission line connecting the NSW and South Australia transmission networks near Chowilla (via the Buronga substation) and upgrading the existing transmission line between Buronga substation and the NSW / Victoria border at Monak, near Red Cliffs.

#### Exhibition Details

The Critical State Significant Infrastructure (CSSI) Application, Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and accompanying documents will be exhibited from **Friday 30 October 2020** until **Thursday 10 December 2020**, and are accessible electronically on the Department's website

([www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/projects/on-exhibition](http://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/projects/on-exhibition)).

At the time of publishing this advertisement, the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces has not directed that a public hearing should be held.

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The Minister for Planning has declared the project critical State significant infrastructure.

#### Controlled Action under *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act)

The Commonwealth Minister for the Environment and Energy has decided that the proposed development is a "controlled action" under the EPBC Act.

The EPBC Act Part 3, Division 1 controlled provisions are:

- Sections 18 and 18A (Listed threatened species and communities)

The project (2020/8673) will be assessed under Part 5, Division 5.2 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*. The assessment will be in accordance with the Bilateral Agreement between NSW and the Commonwealth, made under the EPBC Act. The public notice for the project may be found at:

[www.environment.gov.au/epbc/public-notices](http://www.environment.gov.au/epbc/public-notices)

#### Have your say

Anyone can make a written submission about the CSSI application during the exhibition period.

**Web submissions:** To make an online submission, please go to the Department's Major Projects website at [www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects](http://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects). Search for this project under [www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/projects/on-exhibition](http://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/projects/on-exhibition). On the project's webpage, click 'Make a Submission'. You will be required to log in or create a user account. Follow the online instructions.

**If you cannot lodge online**, you can post your submission to the address below. If you want the Department to withhold your personal information before publication, please make this clear at the top of your cover letter and do not include personal details in your attached submission. If you post your submission, it needs to be received by the Department before the close of the exhibition period.

#### Your submission must include the following:

- Your name and address, at the top of the letter only;
- The name of the application and the application number;
- A statement on whether you 'support', 'object' to the proposal or are only making a comment;
- The reasons why you support or object to the proposal; and
- A declaration of any reportable political donations you made in the previous two years.

**Privacy statement:** Before making your submission, please read our Privacy Statement at [www.planning.nsw.gov.au/privacy](http://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/privacy) or call the number below for a copy. The Department will publish your submission on its website in accordance with our Privacy Statement.

To find out what is reportable, and to access a disclosure form, go to [www.planning.nsw.gov.au/DonationsandGiftDisclosure](http://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/DonationsandGiftDisclosure) or telephone the number below for a copy. The disclosure requirements apply to both postal and online submissions.

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**For more information:** 1300 305 695 or (02) 9274 6296

**Address:** Director – Energy Assessments, Planning and Assessment, Department of Planning, Industry and Environment, Locked Bag 5022, PARRAMATTA NSW 2124.

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## Projects on Exhibition

All applications for State significant infrastructure (**SSI**) and modification applications are listed in the table below and any accompanying documents such as an Environmental Impact Statement (**EIS**) can be accessed on the Department's website (<http://www.majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au/page/on-exhibition/>) during the exhibition period. A written submission can be lodged about an application during the relevant exhibition period by following the prompts on our website and if a submission is made by way of objection, the grounds of objection must be specified in the submission in accordance with clause 85(f) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000 (**EP&A Reg**).

A person who makes a relevant public submission (which means a written submission made by a person objecting to or supporting a relevant planning application or any development that would be authorised by the granting of the application) to the Minister or Planning Secretary in relation to any of the applications listed below is required to disclose all reportable political donations made in the previous two years (EP&A Act, s 10.4(3)(b)). To find out what is reportable, and to access a disclosure form, go to [www.planning.nsw.gov.au/DonationsandGiftDisclosure](http://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/DonationsandGiftDisclosure) or call 1300 305 695 for a copy.

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Application Number	Location & Council Area	Proponent/ Applicant	Consent/Approval Authority	Project/Development Description	Submission Period	Public Hearing <sup>1</sup>	Controlled Action <sup>2</sup>	EPBC Act - Controlled Provisions
<b>SSD</b>								
SSI-10040	Between the South Australia / NSW Border and the NSW / Victoria border via the Buronga substation, Arumpo Road, Buronga, NSW, within Wentworth Shire Council Area	TransGrid	Minister for Planning and Public Spaces	PROJECT ENERGYCONNECT – (NSW – WESTERN SECTION) Development and operation of a new 330 kV transmission line connecting the NSW and South Australia transmission networks near Chowilla (via the Buronga substation) and upgrading the existing transmission line between Buronga substation and the NSW / Victoria border at Monak, near Red Cliffs.	<b>Fri 30 October 2020 until Thu 10 December 2020</b>	No	Yes. Sought by <b>TransGrid</b>	EnergyConnect NSW, Western Section ( <b>EPBC 2020/8673</b> ): Sections 18 and 18A (Listed threatened species and communities)

The Minister for Planning and Public Spaces may request the Independent Planning Commission to hold a public hearing into, amongst other things, development that is the subject of an SSI application, at the time of publication of this notice, or at any time in the future (EP&A Act, section 2.9(1)(d)).

<sup>2</sup> **Controlled Action under Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation (EPBC) Act (in accordance with provision 16.03 (2) of the EPBC Regulations):** The Commonwealth Minister for the Environment and Energy has determined that these applications are a “controlled action” under the EPBC Act. These applications will be assessed under Part 5 of the EP&A Act. The assessment will be in accordance with the Bilateral Agreement between NSW and the Commonwealth, made under the EPBC Act. The assessment will be done in the manner specified in Schedule 1 of the Bilateral Agreement. The public notice for the project may be found at: [www.environment.gov.au/epbc/public-notice](http://www.environment.gov.au/epbc/public-notice)