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Director -- Energy Assessments Development Assessment Department of Planning and Environment 4 Parramatta Square 12 Darcy Street Parramatta NSW 2150

Dear Sir/Madam

RESPONSE TO THE EIS OF THE HUMELINK PROJECT

Kindly consider my response to the HumeLink Environmental Impact Statement report. I strongly object to the HumeLink proposal. There are many adverse features of the proposed overhead transmission project including:

- The visual impact on the environment will be significant and can be overcome by locating the wires underground,
- Every fire season we hear about overhead power transmission lines causing bushfires which would not happen if the wires are located underground.
- Once the transmission wires are underground, I understand the maintenance duties are significantly reduced which will benefit locals and the energy companies. Some energy companies have a history of not maintaining vegetation below to a required standard.
- I understand overhead wires will seriously impede farming activities which can be avoided by locating transmission wires underground.
- There are clearly justifiable concerns expressed by local residents and farmers about having their properties invaded by unnecessary overhead transmission wires. We are forever being to how much cheaper renewables are so there should be funds available to expend on undergrounding wires.
- The proposal to construct massive towers to overhead the transmission wires and continually reject the pleas from farmers shows a total lack of respect for our agriculture industry which has had a huge part in building this country.
- I understand from the office of the Minister for Energy, The Hon Chris Bowen, the transmission wires from the proposed offshore wind farms off the NSW coast will be located underground rather than overhead through farms and residential areas.

Please locate the HumeLink transmission wires undergound as a show of respect for Australia. Thank you.

Yours sincerely

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