

Impact Assessment of Proposed Development on TransGrid 330kV Overhead Transmission Line 330kV Feeder No. 12, Structure Span 350 - 353 Site Location – Lot 33 in DP2359 & Lot 20 in DP 1173483 Corner Yarrunga Street & Bernera Road, Prestons NSW Investigation Report



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### 1. Project Background

LOGOS Property Group is proposing a new warehouse development at Corner of Yarrunga Street and Bernera Road, Prestons NSW. This proposal affects the section of TransGrid's Sydney South – Sydney West No.2 330KV transmission line (330kV Feeder No. 12, Structure span 350 – 353) which traverses the development site.

An easement is a right of way along the route of a transmission line which is acquired to protect members of the public by controlling activities under or near the line that potentially could create an unsafe environment or situation. Easements are also necessary to allow TransGrid to operate, repair and maintain the transmission line. TransGrid requires the proponent to undertake an Impact Assessment for development proposals that might adversely affect existing electricity infrastructure or involve placement of any part of the development within an existing easement. Consequently, DBL Property Pty Ltd, the project manager for the above warehouse development, engaged UEA Electrical Pty Ltd to undertake the impact assessment associated with the development.

#### 2. Scope of Works

The objective of this investigation is to assess the impact on the existing TransGrid's Sydney South – Sydney West No.2 330KV transmission line (330kV Feeder No. 12, Structure span 350 – 353) due to the proposed warehouse development at Corner of Yarrunga Street and Bernera Road, Prestons and where necessary propose mitigation measures to be implemented during construction and operation of the proposed development.

#### **3. Project Inputs**

The existing overhead transmission line that has been affected by the proposed warehouse development has been identified as TransGrid's Sydney South – Sydney West No. 2 330kV transmission line. According to the information received from TransGrid, the section of the transmission line located on the development site is between Transgrid's tower structures no. 351 and no. 352 and sits within a 60.96 metre wide electrical easement. In most situations, the centreline of the transmission line forms the centreline of the easement thus in the case of a 330kV line the easement is approximately 30 metres either side of the transmission line centreline.

The overall site plan of the proposed development was presented to TransGrid in a meeting held at TransGrid's office at 200 Old Wallgrove Road, Eastern Creek on Wednesday, 11 of November 2015. The following representative from TransGrid, DBL Property P/L and UEA Electrical P/L attended the meeting to discuss the overall layout of the proposed warehouse development and consult TransGrid in regard to proposed construction of a new private access road, hardstand areas and visitor/ staff carpark areas within the existing transmission line easement.

- Sky Shanahan, Enquiries Services Coordinator, TransGrid
- Tim Cowdroy, Land Economist, TransGrid
- Jeffrey Lord, Director, DBL Property P/L
- Ben Harris, Engineering Manager, UEA Electrical P/L
- Hasika Caldera, Senior Electrical Engineer, UEA Electrical P/L



At the meeting TransGrid advised that in general they agree with the overall site plan and requested few modifications to be made to the proposed site plan as follows:

- Avoid truck standing area within the easement area
- Increase the clearance around the steel lattice towers to avoid accidental vehicle impact
- Lighting for the carparks and the access road must be mounted on low height bollards or flood lights off the buildings;
- TransGrid will require 24/7 access to the tower sites and the easement with appropriate TransGrid keys fitted to security gates;
- Any services, pits, metallic gates etc. proposed within or in the vicinity of the easement must be appropriately earthed;
- New fencing proposed within or adjacent to the easement will need to be earthed and isolated at every second panel;
- Only use low height landscaping within the easement area

Since the meeting the site plan has been updated to accommodate the above recommendations by TransGrid and a copy the revised site plan is included in Appendix B.

#### **3.1.** Electrical Clearances

An important part of the overall assessment is to evaluate the horizontal and vertical clearances of the proposed development to the transmission line and its easement to ensure compliance to electrical clearances specified by TransGrid. The following sections describe various electrical clearances applicable to the proposed development.

Minimum design ground clearances for transmission lines are stipulated in NSW Code of Practice for Electricity Transmission and Distribution Asset Management. TransGrid normally designs transmission lines with greater clearance than specified in this document. The table below compares TransGrid's normal requirements with the NSW Code of Practice guidelines.

Table 3.1-1 Standard Minimum Construction Clearances from Ground and Roadways for 330kV
Transmission Line

Object being Crossed	TransGrid Design Clearance	NSW Code of Practice Guideline
Ground	9.0m	8.0m
Roadways (Local Council Roads Unlikely to be Reticulated)	10.0m	8.0m

The design clearances noted in the table above are the minimum clearances which occur only at the lowest point in a span and at the maximum operating temperature of 120deg C. Generally, at most locations along a transmission line, the ground clearance is well above the minimum design clearance. In special circumstances, subject to approval by the management, TransGrid may allow lesser clearances for existing lines.

The following table specifies the minimum clearance from electrical conductors to any nonelectrical infrastructure such as structures and buildings.



#### Table 3.1-2 Standard Minimum Clearances to Structures for 330kV Transmission Line

Clearance	TransGrid Design Clearance	AS/NZS 7000 Clearance
Vertically above those parts of any structure normally accessible to person	7.0m	7.0m
Vertically above those parts of any structure not normally accessible to persons but on which a person can stand	6.5m	6.5m
In any direction (other than vertically above) from those parts of any structure normally accessible to persons, or from any part not normally accessible to persons but on which a person can stand	5.0m	5.0m
In any direction from those parts of any structure not normally accessible to persons	4.0m	4.0m

Position of the conductors of the existing transmission line under the influence of wind at any point along the span to be taken into account when assessing the proposed development for compliance to the minimum clearances noted above.

#### 4. Impact Assessment

#### 4.1. Detailed Description of the Development

The proposed warehouse development is located at the Corner Yarrunga Street & Bernera Road, Prestons NSW. The development occupies following Lots; Lot 33, 34, 35 & 43 DP2359 and Lot 20 DP 1173483.

The section of the existing TransGrid 330kV overhead transmission line/ electrical easement affected by the proposed development is located on Lot 33 DP2359 and Lot 20 DP1173483, this shown in the TransGrid Asset Management Information System (TAMIS) plan included Appendix A of this report.

The proposed warehouse development consists of warehouse and office buildings located adjacent to the existing overhead transmission easement and construction of a new private access road, hardstand areas and two visitor/ staff carparks within the easement. Further details concerning the proximity of the of the proposed warehouse/ office facilities to the TransGrid's easement boundary and access road and carparks located underneath the overhead transmission line can be found in the Site plan/s included in Appendix B of this report.

# 4.2. Clearances of the proposed development to TransGrid's Infrastructure and associated easements

Details of the proposed warehouse development including three dimensional (3D) drawings has been submitted to TransGrid to assess the clearance of the proposed development to the transmission line and the two steel lattice tower structures located within the development site. There will be ongoing consultation between TransGrid and the developer to ensure the horizontal



and vertical clearances of the proposed development to the transmission line and its easement complies with TransGrid requirements.

#### 4.3. Risk Assessment

Generally, transmission line easements are established to prevent and mitigate against the electrical safety risks resulting from:

- Infringement of electrical safety clearances
- Electrical Induction
- Step and touch potentials under fault conditions in the network
- Failure of structures or line equipment
- Transfer of dangerous voltages off the easement
- Blowout of a conductor under high wind (or blow in of vegetation)

Consequently, a risk assessment has been undertaken to identify the changes in risk due to the proposed development and propose mitigation measures to ensure the existing transmission line easement area and its ongoing maintenance is not compromised.

The risk assessment undertaken for the proposed warehouse development is included in Appendix C of this report.

#### 5. Conclusion & Recommendations

Transmission line easements are acquired by TransGrid to provide adequate clearance along the route of a transmission line for construction and maintenance work and to maintain certain property rights in place. Furthermore TransGrid prohibits certain activities and encroachments within the easement area that could otherwise create an unsafe situation either for persons or for the security of the transmission line. Any development proposals that might adversely affect existing TransGrid electricity infrastructure or involve placement of any part of the development within an existing easement should be designed in such a way that it does not involve such activities, nor introduce these encroachments; and does not encourage other parties to undertake such activities or introduce such encroachments in the future.

Following the desktop assessment carried out to assess the impact of the proposed warehouse development on the section of TransGrid's Sydney South – Sydney West No.2 330KV transmission line (330kV Feeder No. 12, Structure span 350 – 353), it can be concluded;

- The proposed development does not involve prohibited activities, nor introduce encroachments
- The proposed development does not encourage prohibited activities/ encroachments to occur within the easement
- Adversely affect the safety of general public or TransGrid employees/ contractors

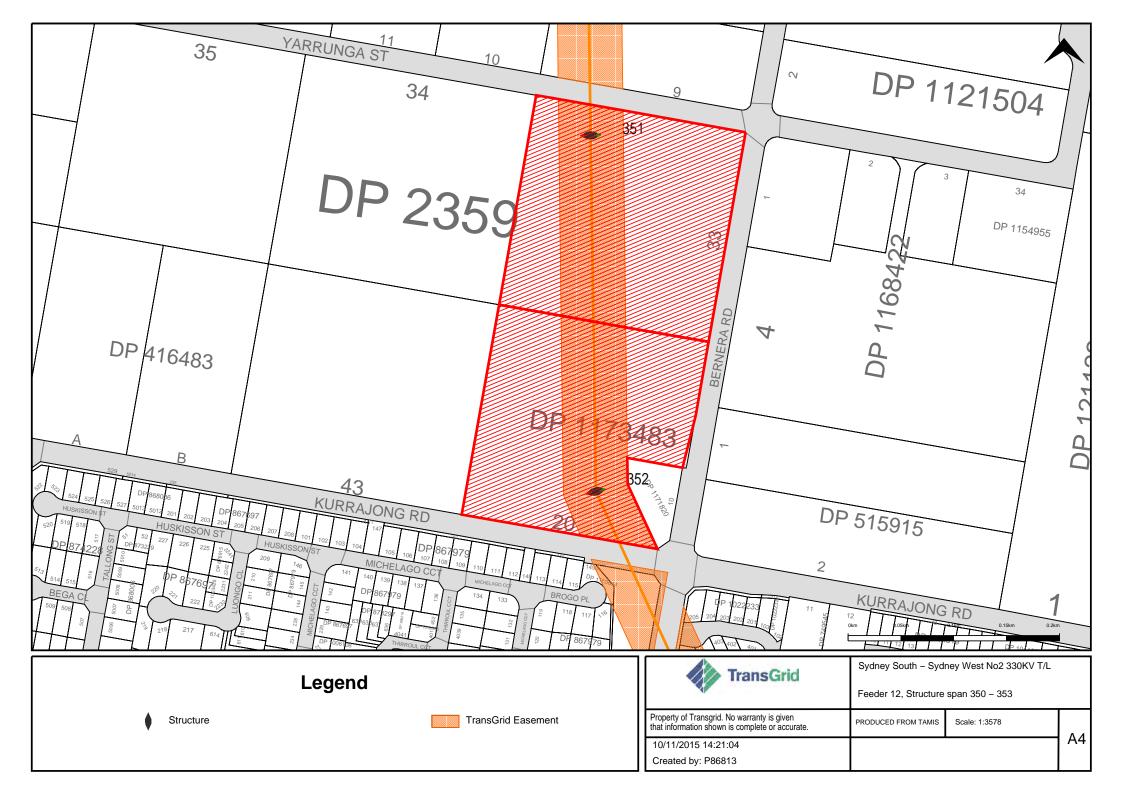
It is noted that further consultation with TransGrid will be necessary to confirm the adequacy of the risk mitigation measures recommended in the enclosed risk assessment. TransGrid may recommend additional control measures to be implemented during the construction and operation of the proposed warehouse facility to ensure compliance to TransGrid and Statutory requirements applicable to the development.



It is also recommended to consult TransGrid with regard to proposed changes to the ground levels within and adjacent to the easement including the details of the structures and buildings proposed in the vicinity of the easement to ensure the horizontal and vertical clearances of the proposed development to the transmission line and its easement complies with TransGrid requirements.

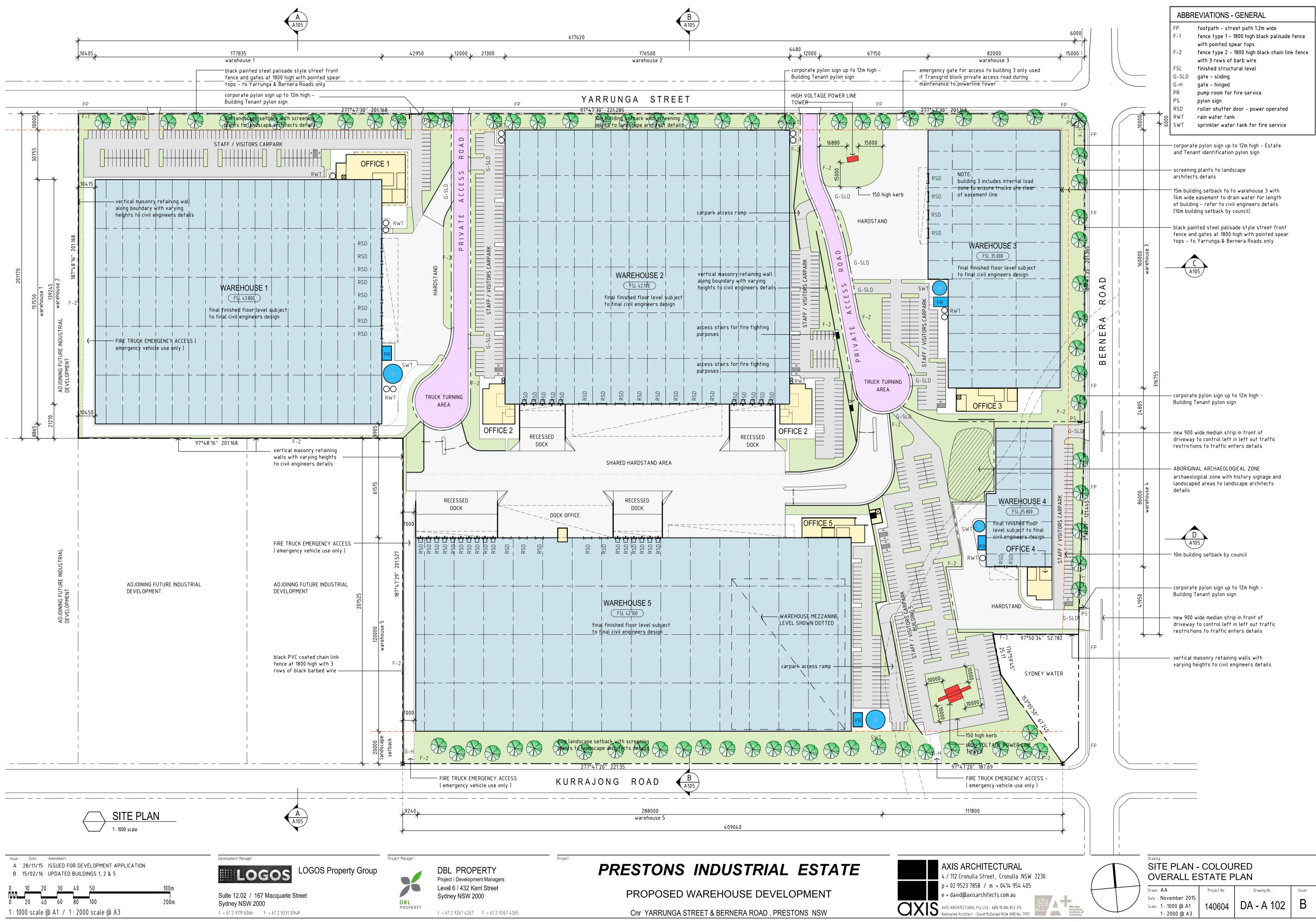


# Appendix A – TranGrid TAMIS plan





# Appendix B – Overall Estate Plan: Proposed Warehouse Development





Appendix C – Risk Assessment

Item	Risk Ca	itegory	Risk	Comments	Propose
1.1.1			Changes to ground levels within or in the vicinity of the easement	Proposed development will require minor changes to the existing ground level within and in the vicinity of the easement. Details of the proposed finished ground levels will be submitted to TransGrid to assess the transmission line (TL) for compliance to minimum conductor-to-ground clearance requirements specified in Table 3.1-1.	<ul> <li>Avoid any modifications to compromise minimum gro</li> <li>TransGrid to assess the de vertical and horizontal cle Consult TransGrid with rep</li> </ul>
1.1.2	ld Safety	Safety Risk to General Public	Modifications to the easement or the nature of the land in the vicinity of the easement, that would encourage prohibited encroachments to occur within the easement	The proposed warehouse development consists of warehouse and office buildings located adjacent to the existing overhead transmission easement and construction of a new private access road, hardstand areas and two visitor/ staff carparks within the easement. In addition low height landscaping has been proposed within the easement area along the property boundaries. TransGrid will be consulted to ensure that all development works within and adjacent to the easement and the steel lattice towers are acceptable to TransGrid and comply with their standards and requirements.	<ul> <li>Avoid any prohibited encr -The storage of flammable material, -The placing of garbage, re -The planting or cultivatio to a height exceeding 4 m -The placing of obstruction transmission line structure -The parking or storage of -The installation of site co storage compounds, -Placing any obstructions of easement area that restrict within the easement area.</li> </ul>
1.1.3	Health and Safety	ety Risk to C	Any new developments within 30m of a transmission line structure or guy		<ul> <li>Obtain TransGrid approva woks within the easement towers</li> </ul>
1.1.4		Saf	Installation of metallic structures or services in the easement		<ul> <li>All UG and above ground sarea and immediately out</li> <li>All carpark and access way easement to be on low times</li> </ul>
1.1.5			Proposed development resulting in voltages being transferred off the easement or bringing remote earths onto the easement		<ul> <li>All UG and above ground sarea and immediately out</li> <li>Do not install any remote</li> </ul>
1.1.6			Proposed development causing increase in step and touch potential hazards or encourage people to congregate within the step/touch potential zone of a structure	No public spaces or recreational areas proposed within the easement or in the vicinity of the tower structures	<ul> <li>TransGrid to assess the store tower structures located volume of any modification require</li> </ul>
1.1.7			Proposed development causing people to congregate and/or spend time within the easement or immediately adjacent thereto		<ul> <li>Avoid any proposal that w and/or spend time within to the tower structures</li> </ul>

#### **Appendix C - Risk and Hazard Analysis**

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1.2.1	iency	Installation of infrastructure that can be climbed compromising design clearances	The development proposal does not contain any infrastructure within the easement that can be climbed or require an EWP for maintenance	<ul> <li>All proposed works within TransGrid clearance requ</li> </ul>
1.2.2	Safety Risk to Non-Electrical Workers and Emergency Personnel	Use of Elevated Work Platform (EWP) to maintain proposed structures within the easement compromising design clearances		<ul> <li>Do not used EWPs within from TransGrid</li> </ul>
1.2.3	ctrical Worke Personnel	Installation of proposed infrastructure that can bring remote earths onto the easement		<ul> <li>All UG and above ground area and immediately out</li> <li>Do not install any remote</li> </ul>
1.2.4	to Non-Elec	Proposed infrastructure that is a fire hazard, or that would encourage the storage or use of flammable material on the easement	No storage areas proposed within the easement	<ul> <li>Do not store any material cause fire or block the acc design clearances</li> </ul>
1.2.5	Safety Risk	Proposed infrastructure that would require emergency workers (such as fire fighters) to come near, or their equipment to come onto or near high voltage conductors		<ul> <li>Consult TransGrid regardi easement that would be a</li> </ul>
1.3.1	ployees and	Alterations to access around any TransGrid structure that would prevent EWPs, crane or other plant access	Only Carpark areas and landscape areas proposed around the exiting tower structures. The new access way proposed likely to improve the access to the tower structures for future maintenance on the transmission line	<ul> <li>Obtain TransGrid approva works within the easeme</li> </ul>
1.3.2	Safety Risk to TransGrid Employ Contractors	Non-compliances to TransGrid's horizontal clearances	Proposed development will require minor changes to the existing ground level within and in the vicinity of the easement. Details of the proposed finished ground levels to be submitted to TransGrid to assess the transmission line (TL) for compliance to minimum conductor-to-ground clearance requirements specified in Table 3.1-1.	<ul> <li>Avoid any modifications t compromise minimum gri</li> <li>TransGrid to assess the de vertical and horizontal cle</li> </ul>
1.3.3	Safety Ris	Modifications to the access to the easement that would introduce risks to TransGrid personnel including, although not limited to, asset inspectors or patrol staff	Access to the easement will be from the new access way proposed for the development site. Carpark and hardstand areas proposed adjacent to the tower structures likely to improve the future access to the transmission line.	<ul> <li>Obtain TransGrid approva works within the easement towers</li> </ul>
1.4.1	Health Risk to General Public	Proposed public spaces or recreational areas within the easement that would encourage persons to congregate for lengthy periods of time	No public spaces or recreational areas proposed within the easement or in the vicinity of the tower structures.	<ul> <li>Obtain TransGrid approva works within the easeme towers</li> </ul>

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1.4.2		Proposed facilities outside of the easement but immediately adjacent thereto that would encourage persons to congregate within the easement	The development contains warehouse and office facilities proposed immediately outside the easement. However, no public spaces or recreational areas proposed within the easement that would encourage persons to congregate within the easement.	<ul> <li>Do not establish any eme within the easement that within the easement</li> </ul>
2.1		Proposed ground level developments (including roads, driveways, parking lots and turning bays etc.) that would expose TransGrid transmission structures and lines to impact risk	No access ways or parking lots proposed within 10m from the transmission tower structures. Raised kerbs proposed adjacent to tower structure sites to avoid any potential vehicular impact	<ul> <li>Obtain TransGrid's appro hardstand areas propose</li> <li>Where necessary install r protect tower structures</li> </ul>
2.2	Operational Risk	Modifications to water flows or drainage that would impact on the foundations or structural integrity of any TransGrid structure or guywire		<ul> <li>Where relevant submit prodifications to existing for assessment.</li> <li>Avoid any drainage instal across site that would im structures or cause water sites.</li> </ul>
2.3		Proposed excavations or surface activities that would impact TransGrid structures' foundations, stability or subterranean earthing systems	All proposed excavation works/ surface activities to be approved by TransGrid. The proposed development does not contain any excavation works in the vicinity of the transmission tower structures.	<ul> <li>Do not commence any exeasement without Trans</li> <li>Consult TransGrid with refrom the structure found excavation works</li> </ul>
3.1	Maintenance Risk	Proposed roads, driveways or landscaping that would prevent or hinder TransGrid maintenance, or increase maintenance costs, for the above or below ground components of the transmission line structures	Access to the easement will be from the new access way proposed for the development site. Carpark and hardstand areas proposed adjacent to the tower structures likely to improve the future access to the transmission line. Only low height landscaping has been proposed within the easement area along the property boundaries. TransGrid to assess the existing tower earthing system and consult the developer regarding any required modifications to it	<ul> <li>Obtain TransGrid approva woks within the easemen lattice towers</li> </ul>
3.2	Mai	Proposed development causing the access to the easement or within the easement, to be obstructed, restricted or altered	The proposed access way and carpark/ hardstand areas likely to improve the access to the easement	<ul> <li>Consult TransGrid in rega including 24/7 access to t works on the transmissio</li> </ul>
3.3		Proposed access roads, bridges, crossings and the like been able to withstand the weight and size of TransGrid maintenance plant (EWPs and Cranes)		<ul> <li>Consult TransGrid on size maintenance plant and m of the proposed access w the easement</li> </ul>

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3.4		Proposed development encouraging placement of obstructions that would prevent access for routine or emergency works	No storage areas proposed within the easement	<ul> <li>Avoid any developments encourage placement of prevent access to the eas</li> </ul>
4.1	*	Proposed construction works restricting TransGrid from undertaking normal maintenance and inspection activities		<ul> <li>Consult TransGrid with re- Likely construction commer</li> <li>Duration of construction we easement</li> <li>Proposed access arrangeme works</li> <li>Maintain access to the ea undertaking normal main TransGrid personnel</li> </ul>
4.2	Development Design & Construction Risk	Proposed development causing prohibited activities or encroachments to occur in the easement area during construction works	The developer has consulted TransGrid and informed about the proposed development works within the easement area. Developer is well aware of the activities and encroachments prohibited in the easement area	<ul> <li>Avoid any prohibited enc -The storage of flammable material, -The placing of garbage, r -The planting or cultivation to a height exceeding 4 m -The placing of obstruction transmission line structur -The parking or storage o -The installation of site co storage compounds, -Placing any obstructions easement area that restriction within the easement area</li> </ul>
4.3		The health and safety risk assessment of the proposed development design lacking compliance to the following WorkCover NSW instruments: - 'Work Near Overhead Power Lines' Code of Practice 2006; and/or - 'Work Near Underground Assets' Guide 2007	This risk assessment together with recommendations from TranGrid will be completed to ensure the proposed development comply with: - 'Work Near Overhead Power Lines' Code of Practice 2006; and/or - 'Work Near Underground Assets' Guide 2007	<ul> <li>Avoid any modifications to compromise minimum gr</li> <li>TransGrid to assess the down of the vertical and horizontal clean consult TransGrid with references when fully extend within the easement area</li> </ul>
5.1	Entitlements	Are TransGrid's existing access rights preserved, pursuant to the terms of the easement?	The proposed development unlikely require any changes to TransGrid's existing access rights	<ul> <li>Consult TransGrid to seek terms of the existing ease</li> </ul>
5.2	Rights & Entit	Proposed development exposing TransGrid to new or higher maintenance costs (e.g. landscaping or other development changes impacting easement access, use and	TransGrid to use the proposed access way to access the easement and tower structure sites. Landscaping proposed within the easement will be	<ul> <li>Consult and obtain Trans development works with</li> </ul>
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