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Attention: Iwan Davies

### **EPA Advice on Submissions Report**

Dear Iwan Davies

Thank you for the request for advice from Public Authority Consultation (PAE-17543736), requesting the review by the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) of the Submissions Report for the proposed Project Energy Connect – NSW – Western Section (Application SSI 10040) between the South Australia border near Chowilla to Buronga.

The EPA has reviewed the following documents:

- *EnergyConnect (NSW – Western Section) Amendment Report – Transgrid – April 2021;*
- *EnergyConnect (NSW – Western Section) Submissions Report – Transgrid – April 2021;*
- *EnergyConnect (NSW – Western Section) Appendix H Addendum Air quality impact assessment – WSP - 6 April 2021;*
- *EnergyConnect (NSW – Western Section) Appendix I Addendum Noise and vibration impact assessment - WSP – 6 April 2021; and*
- *EnergyConnect (NSW – Western Section) Appendix K Addendum Contamination assessment – WSP – 6 April 2021.*

The EPA understands the proposal is for:

- The construction of new 330 kilovolt (kV) double circuit transmission line and associated infrastructure between the SA/NSW border near Chowilla and the existing Buronga substation.
- An upgrade and expansion of the existing Buronga substation and upgrade to existing single circuit transmission line between the Buronga substation and the NSW/Victoria border.
- The crushing and screening of material to be used for the base of the Buronga substation upgrade.

Based on the information provided, the proposal will require an environment protection licence under sections 43 and 48 of the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997* (POEO Act) for crushing, grinding or separating clause 16 of Schedule 1 of the POEO Act.

The EPA has reviewed the Submissions Report and notes it has addressed the EPA's submission on this project from 16 November 2021.

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Yours sincerely

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