

Our ref: SSI-48323210-PA-143

John Fisher
Post-Approvals Lead
Energy Corporation of NSW
Via Email

29 June 2026

Subject: Central-West Orana REZ Transmission – Amended Final Layout Plans Staging Request

Dear Mr Fisher

I refer to your letter dated 26 June 2025, requesting the Planning Secretary's approval to stage the Final Layout Plans for the Central-West Orana REZ Transmission project (SSI-48323210; Approval).

I note your letter proposes to amend the approved Final Layout Plans staging approach (SSI-48323210-PA-44) under Condition C3 to include the Mudgee maintenance facility, approved on 22 October 2025 (Modification 2).

I note that:

- the Mudgee maintenance facility is not currently included in the approved staging of the Final Layout Plans;
- this proposal seeks to introduce an additional stage into the currently approved staging to separately address the Mudgee maintenance facility;
- no other aspect of the approved staging will be affected.

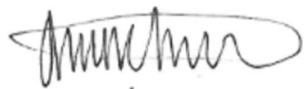
Accordingly, as nominee of the Planning Secretary and in accordance with Condition C3, I approve the amended staging of the Final Layout Plans, as detailed in your letter and summarised above.

In accordance with Condition A3 of the Approval, construction of a stage must not commence until a Final Layout Plan covering the relevant stage has been prepared and submitted in accordance with Condition C8. You must also ensure that the project is constructed in accordance with the staged Final Layout Plans prepared and submitted in accordance with Condition C8, including details on siting of transmission towers and ancillary infrastructure and / or ancillary facilities; and showing comparison to the approved layout and approved vegetation clearing.

You are reminded that if there are any inconsistencies between the Final Layout Plans and the conditions of Approval, the conditions prevail.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact me.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Minchin".

Thomas Minchin

Team Leader Transmission Post Approval

As nominee of the Planning Secretary