

Mr John Fisher
Environmental Manager | Delivery – EnergyConnect

By email

31/10/2022

Subject: Project EnergyConnect (NSW - Eastern Section) - Biodiversity Offset Package

Dear Mr Fisher

I refer to the Biodiversity Offset Package (Rev B, prepared by Transgrid and dated 14 September 2022) submitted in accordance with condition C24 of the approval for Project EnergyConnect (NSW - Eastern Section) (SSI-9172452).

I note the Biodiversity Offset Package:

- has been prepared in consultation with BCS;
- has been reviewed by Transgrid and no issues have been raised with the Department; and
- contains the information required by the conditions of approval.

The Department has carefully reviewed the Biodiversity Offset Package and is satisfied that it meets the requirements of the relevant conditions of approval, subject to the minor changes outlined in Attachment 1 to this letter.

You are reminded that if there are any inconsistencies between the Biodiversity Offset Package and the conditions of approval, the conditions prevail.

Please ensure you make the document publicly available on the project website at the earliest convenience.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact me on (02) 9274 6495.

Yours sincerely



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As nominee of the Planning Secretary

Attachment 1: Minor changes required to Biodiversity Offset Package (Rev B, prepared by Transgrid and dated 14 September 2022)

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1. Update references in the Biodiversity Offset Package to match Infrastructure Approval SSI-9172452, dated 2 September 2022, and conditions C23, C24, C25 and C26 of the Infrastructure Approval.

Note eg. need to correct references to SSI-10040 (p i) and condition D25 (p 33), where reference is instead meant to the Project EnergyConnect (NSW - Eastern Section) Infrastructure Approval.

2. Update the "Error! Reference source not found" cross reference in Footnote 1 to Table 5 on page 13.
3. In section 1.3.2, delete the second last sentence of the first paragraph on page 4, and insert: "Transgrid will apply for a modification to the Infrastructure Approval, where required, to cover additional clearing", in order to reflect the requirements of the Infrastructure Approval.