

Australians don't want energy poverty, we need independent energy security to protect our sovereignty - based on our plentiful natural resources - rather than fraught, unethical, monitor-able Chinese components - reliant on cruelly tortured Uyghur slave labour supply chains.

HELE coal fired power is a proven, efficient, reliable & economical source of energy - which is far less damaging to the environment than this astronomically costly & severely detrimental, fake green Solar-Wind-Battery-Interconnector transition - which is planned to cover ridiculous amounts of land. Obviously, despite the strange demonisation of CO2 - we'd all be dead without it!

In order to transition to a genuinely clean, efficient, reliable, secure, safe, low emission energy future - small nuclear modular reactors are the honest solution to the future of exhausted coal supplies - with plentiful, economically beneficial uranium resources in Australia.

If the Federal Government & DPIE's claims of environmentally beneficial, clean, emissions free energy is their truthful aim - then Nuclear energy is clearly the obvious, far superior, honest answer!

In Their Opposition to Nuclear Power, Environmentalists Have Become a Bigger Obstacle & Threat to Effective Climate Policy Than Deniers - Counterpoint - ABC Radio National

At 31:15 - 42:06 (14th Feb 2022.)

<https://www.abc.net.au/radionational/programs/counterpoint/14-02-22/13750684>

Dr Maarten Boudry - Author & Philosopher of Science at Ghent University Belgian - highlights how environmentalists In their opposition to nuclear power, have become a bigger obstacle & threat to effective climate policy than deniers!

Dr Boudry explains that fossil fuels are a very desirable product that bring a range of benefits - raising people out of poverty, tripling life expectancy, reducing our workload & providing numerous, long lasting items but pollution is a problem that certainly needs reducing & addressing.

Nuclear energy is a far better energy source than Solar & Wind energy which certainly have a costly & harmful downside - intermittent, unreliable, with an extensive toxic life-cycle - with 300 x more toxic waste created per unit of energy from Solar compared to Nuclear power plants.

Factual evidence proves that Nuclear Energy is the least polluting & least deadly, safest, cleanest energy source.

According to Nuclear proponents:- "New thorium nuclear technology is safe, clean, effective & cheap with a low & short radiation life span & reusable rods that won't need lifelong storage."

That is just one of the many better options we have available to us that will eliminate Project Energy Connect & this catastrophic disaster of ill conceived energy transition plans.

I absolutely object to Project Energy Connect (NSW - Eastern Section) SSI-9172452

on the following grounds:-

\* Project Energy Connect is severely detrimental to Australia with no net benefits.

\* Project Energy Connect is planned to support the most unreliable, inefficient & least beneficial energy sources which have no baseload power capability.

\* Project Energy Connect is an extreme national security risk - being designed by & for Beijing's Chinese Communist Party - with Project Energy Connect emanating from Robertstown S.A. substation - whose major owner is the State Grid Corporation of China - along with the company dominating EnergyCo NSW + Transgrid - Spark Renewables - who spun off Spark Infrastructure in 2021 - who spun off Cheung Kong Conglomerate in 2005.

Given the obvious & escalating hostilities of the Chinese Government - it is unconscionable to even consider subjecting Australia to this CCP infiltration & control of our critical energy infrastructure - on which most other critical infrastructure is dependant.

<https://www.thegwpf.org/content/uploads/2021/12/Adams-Chinas-Energy-Dream.pdf>

\*Chinese energy components are a national security risk - enabling monitoring by the CCP.

All Chinese companies swear allegiance to the CCP NOT to Australia.

Project Energy Connect Interconnector plans - plugging Wagga Wagga into the Chinese Communist Party controlled Robertstown S.A substation need to be completely condemned as nonsensical, foolish propaganda - totally opposed to Australian welfare, productivity, independence, sovereignty & national security.

\*The following quote & link regarding the Chinese Communist Party was sent from the Federal Security & Intelligence Committee:

"This push to increase the authority of the Party within companies is occurring on two tracks. First, the Party is strengthening the role of internal Party organizations (党组织) established within companies. Although required since the 1993 PRC Company Law,<sup>2</sup> these internal Party cells were relatively weak for many years and predominantly concerned with Party organisational issues such as education and recruitment.<sup>3</sup> Since 2012, however, the Party has increased their presence in private companies and state-owned enterprises (SOEs), with media reports suggesting they are exercising a growing influence on management.<sup>4</sup>

Source: <https://www.csis.org/analysis/new-challenge-communist-corporate-governance>

\*Notably: The USA stopped use of Chinese components in critical infrastructure - Executive Order May 2020 - due to the National Security risk posed.

\* <https://www.energy.gov/articles/president-trump-signs-executive-order-securing-united-states-bulk-power-system>

Instead, through this unreliable, inferior solar/wind/battery/Interconnector transition plan Australian Governments are so foolishly ever increasing reliance on China & threatening our national security. Heightened hostilities with China urgently require implementation of a similar executive order for Australia.

\* Australia's limited irreplaceable, agricultural land - including the Riverina's food bowl - will be negatively & extensively impacted.

With only 6% (approx) of arable land in Australia & the DPIE's predictions of 'climate change' impacts further reducing productivity - forecasting increased bushfires, floods, severe storms, temperature rises - this makes it even more vital to protect all of our essential, natural food resource land & water supplies from anything that would deplete it, or contaminate it in any way.

Project Energy Connect transmission towers are an unnecessary & unacceptable impediment to Australia's agricultural production capability - which is predicted to be valued at \$78 billion for Australia's economy this year 2021-2022 (7th Dec 2021 ABARES.)

\* Not only are Spark Renewables planning the conveniently, strategically positioned, massive Dinawan Hub in the SW REZ - in line with this State Grid Corporation of China (major owner of ElectraNet) instigated Project Energy Connect Interconnector, but the Riverina's fertile food bowl is being further threatened with toxic contamination risks from large-scale PV Solar's unconscionable, decades long, Solar entombment of our vital Ag land - essential for basic food staple security - with Spark Renewables' additional, recently announced plans for 'Sun Harvest' Mates Gully Rd Tarcutta.

Surely their obnoxious, heat creating, environmentally vandalising, glaring visual amenity eyesore Bomen Solar - with 100% of their Jinko Solar panels unethically reliant on Xinjiang's Uyghur slave labour supply chains & their 'yet to be determined' toxic contamination risk to the wonderfully productive Bomen/Eunony Valley district - is enough to clearly prove the disingenuous nature of this fake virtuous, fake green, clean narrative.

This 1% of the most reliably productive land in NSW cannot be further lost to such non-essential, detrimental, mass solar plans.

\* Project Energy Connect's transmission towers are ugly, unhealthy monstrosities which rural families should not be burdened with & forced to endure 300 metres from their home!

Electro Magnetic Radiation causes serious harm to human beings - especially for those of us with a sensitivity to EMR.

Pretty rural districts & precious landscapes should not be further littered so unnecessarily with mass electronic interconnector networks when far superior energy sources require none of this.

\* Project Energy Connect will lead to the construction of all languishing, objectionable, already approved Solar/Wind Electricity Generating Works - which have never gained a social licence - due to the disingenuous, fake & fudged planning processes of the DPIE with their non-existent community consultation with real people - impacted on the ground landholders & rural communities.

A massive explosion of far more land/water contaminating Solar/Wind Electricity Generating Works & Battery Storage Systems will result - with Andrew Dyer AEIC - shockingly & seemingly delightedly

confirming last week on the NSW Country Hour - that this future electronic garbage will be needed EVERYWHERE in the bush!

\* Extensive environmental harm will be caused by this planned Interconnector - destroying biodiversity & precious ecological habitat on a vast scale - with far more irretrievable ruination than the mentioned 1,500 hectares of environmentally sensitive, native bush areas & many endangered creatures in addition to the unique, threatened plains wanderer bird will be seriously depleted.

No amount of biodiversity offsets or claims of retaining felled tree hollow habitats in a suitable place in the landscape will do a thing to restore this vast scale of intentional destruction.

\* Fire risk to impacted landholders & rural communities will be increased - with careless disregard for the facts.

NSW Fire & Rescue has not even done any research at all regarding how to deal with the increased fire hazards of the energy transition - with global & Australian incidents alarmingly increasing as a direct result of this hasty, careless, untested, ill considered energy transition experiment.

\* Even the Woke CSIRO estimate the network costs of this fake green energy transition to Australian taxpayers at a trillion dollars!! - probably far more than this - as we have already seen with Transgrid's flawed estimates & the ridiculous waste of taxpayer funding for the Snowy 2 catastrophe!

Matt Kean's cheap energy claims are clearly proven false by his announcement of the \$100 dollar 100MW Battery Storage System at Darlington Point in 2021.

How that is considered cheap by the now NSW State Treasurer is alarming & astounding?!

These astronomical transition costs, are never factored into the fudged energy cost comparisons that are so disingenuously produced by RE investors such as Lazards Energy Consultants.

The amount of unplanned for toxic waste generated by this inferior, unreliable, inefficient energy transition farce is an uncosted, absolute disgrace - proving that this transition is the complete opposite to caring for the environment, but rather environmental vandalism on a massive scale - Australia wide - instigated using woke virtue signalling by those who stand to gain a motzer++!!

## Conclusion

Australians deserve to hear the truth regarding this disingenuous, hodge-podge, illogical & senseless Solar-Wind-Battery-Interconnector nightmare - devastating rural NSW/Australia & defying all of the principles of Ecologically Sustainable Development - depriving future generations of the beautiful, natural Australian landscape they deserve to enjoy, our uncontaminated soil heritage & healthy water sources that are vital for human sustenance.

This dreadful transition is invalidly ripping off everyday Australian taxpayers by feeding subsidy hungry, dodgy developers & funnelling financial benefits to billionaires in their harbourside mansions.

