



Parliament of Tasmania

Joint Select Committee on Energy Matters in Tasmania

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SUBMISSIONS NOW OPEN FOR INQUIRY INTO ENERGY MATTERS

The Parliament of Tasmania has appointed a Joint Select Committee to inquire into and report upon energy matters in Tasmania with the following Terms of Reference:-

- (a) challenges related to energy supply in Tasmania including:—
 - (i) structure and operations of State-owned energy entities;
 - (ii) energy requirements;
 - (iii) expansion of State-owned renewable energy generation including associated community and economic benefits;
 - (iv) private energy generators;
 - (v) energy generation, storage and transmission capacity; and
 - (vi) energy security considerations.
- (b) opportunities related to energy supply in Tasmania including:—
 - (i) structure and operations of State-owned energy entities;
 - (ii) energy requirements;
 - (iii) expansion of State-owned renewable energy generation including associated community and economic benefits;
 - (iv) private energy generators;
 - (v) energy generation, storage and transmission capacity; and
 - (vi) energy security considerations.
- (c) the operation of the National Electricity Market including:—
 - (i) current and future energy demand for participants;
 - (ii) costs, benefits, opportunities and risks associated with the renewable energy transition; and
 - (iii) Tasmania's past and future participation in the National Electricity Market including costs and benefits to Tasmania and resource opportunity; and
- (d) Marinus Link Pty Ltd and associated energy power developments (Battery of the Nation and North West Transmission Development) including:—
 - (i) likely beneficiaries;
 - (ii) funding arrangements, including the potential for private sector contribution;
 - (iii) impact on Tasmanians' energy bills and concessional pricing arrangements; and
 - (iv) alternative options and associated costs and/or benefits to Tasmania including costs and cost of a 'do nothing approach'.

The Committee invites interested persons or organisations to make written submissions to the Committee by the closing date of **Friday, 2 February 2024**. An advertisement calling for submissions will be placed in the three regional newspapers on Saturday, 4 November 2023. For further information about the inquiry please visit the inquiry website: www.parliament.tas.gov.au/committees/joint-committees/select-committees/energy-matters-in-tasmania

Enquires and submissions should be directed to:-

The Secretary, Joint Select Committee on Energy Matters in Tasmania, Parliament House, Hobart, TAS, 7000, or email: energymatters@parliament.tas.gov.au

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