



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Committee on Environment and Planning

Notice of public hearing

Inquiry into the electricity outages affecting Far West NSW in October 2024

Thursday, 6 March 2025

Broken Hill Civic Centre

Please note that, as the Committee is currently travelling, the schedule is subject to change. The webcast will commence at **9.30am** and is available on the Parliament's [website](#).

All times stated are Broken Hill time (ACDT) which is 30mins behind Sydney

Time	Organisation	Witness(es)	Submission
8.15am	TOWN HALL		
9.15am	Short break		
9.30am	Business Far West NSW	Gerry Leaver Executive Committee Member	
		Rosie Siemer Executive Committee, Business Far West	
	Broken Hill Musicians Club	Michael Boland General Manager/ Company Secretary	37
	Clubs NSW	Simon Sawday Director of Government Affairs	26
10.15am	Perilya	Bruce Byrne Chief Operating Officer	
		John Braes Acting General Manager	
	Mining and Energy Union	Todd Ferguson Organiser	
10.45am	Meals on Wheels Broken Hill	Heather Picken Treasurer	
	Legal Aid NSW	Elizabeth Lehmann Senior Outreach Solicitor, Disaster Response Legal Service	
	Country Women's Association, Broken Hill	Eliza South	21



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11.15am	Morning tea		
11.30am	Regional Development Australia Far West	Michael Williams Chief Executive Officer and Director Regional Development	19
	NSW Farmers	Gerard Glover Western Division Council, Chair	40
		Penelope Clarke Western Division Council, Member	
		Elen Welch Policy Director, Socio Economics	
	Pastoralists' Association of West Darling	Terry Smith President	20
Lachlan Gall Councillor			
12.00pm	Outback Pharmacies	Jason Harvey	
		Leroy Johnson	3
	National Disability Services	Dimity Philp Service Manager – Broken Hill Westhaven	12
		Helen Miller General Manager of In Home Supports and Clinical Lead LiveBetter	
12.45pm	Lunch		
1.45pm	Barkandji Native Title Group Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC	Luke Driscoll CEO	
	Maari Ma Health Aboriginal Corporation	Richard Weston CEO	



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2.15pm	Broken Hill City Council	Tom Kennedy Mayor	16
		Jay Nankivell General Manager	
2.45pm	Telstra	Bronwyn Clere Operations and Management Executive InfraCo	
		Gerard Tracey Group Owner, End to End Service Performance & Resilience Telstra	
		Paul Harrison National Emergency Manager, Incident Operations Telstra	
		Lisa McTiernan Manager, Government Relations Telstra	
3.15pm	<i>Afternoon tea</i>		
3.30pm	Hydrostor	Jon Norman President	42
		Martin Becker Senior Vice President Origination & Development	
	Tilt Renewables	Nathan Vass Head of Government Affairs and Media	25
		David Beavers Head of Origination	
	AGL	John McCormack General Manager Stakeholder Engagement	29
		David Bowly Operations Manager of Battery Energy Storage Systems –	



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4.15pm	Essential Energy	Annie Pearson Chief Corporate Affairs Officer	33
		David Nardi Head of Major Projects and Transmission Services	
4.45pm	Transgrid	Marie Jordan Executive General Manager of Network	28
		David O'Hara General Manager of Projects	
5.15pm	<i>End</i>		

