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**INQUIRY INTO FEASIBILITY OF UNDERGROUNDING
THE TRANSMISSION INFRASTRUCTURE FOR
RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS**

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The Hon. Emily Suvaal,
Committee Chair,
Inquiry - Feasibility of undergrounding the transmission infrastructure for renewable energy projects
Standing Committee on State Development
Parliament House
6 Macquarie Street
SYDNEY NSW 2000

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Dear Committee,

HumeLink will inflict untold damage to our precious wildlife and increase greenhouse gases

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission to this important inquiry into the feasibility of undergrounding transmission infrastructure for renewable infrastructure projects.

This inquiry represents an opportunity to ensure better outcomes for future generations of NSW citizens and our precious wildlife.

We retired to the Upper Lachlan Shire, Grabben Gullen, to enjoy the beautiful environment and this development of overhead transmission lines will devastate natural beauty and turn our locality into an industrial zone. There is no reason to dismiss the use of underground connections.

- HumeLink has an action area of 5,714 hectares including clear-felling areas of native forests and bushland with serious impacts on habitat, greenhouse gases and global warming (Transgrid's per the referral to EPBC Act).
- HumeLink will devastate habitats and wildlife corridors for more than 80 threatened or endangered species of flora and fauna
- HumeLink towers will worsen greenhouse gas emissions through large-scale land clearing and increased risk of bushfires.

Please save our area from this disastrous impact.

Clare and John Seligman