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

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I support the move to renewables but am concerned that HumeLink as an overhead transmission line will industrialise landscapes of great natural beauty for almost a century. As we transition to net zero emissions, we can't at the same time destroy our environment with overhead transmission lines. We need environmentally responsible transmission as well as generation. Underground cables cost more to construct than overhead transmission lines but there are significant and enduring offsetting non-market benefits to the environment and communities through their use.