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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

14th July 2023

Dear The Hon Emily Suvaal MLC,

Re: Feasibility of undergrounding the transmission infrastructure for renewable energy projects

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

My wife and I spend considerable time in the region as my wife's family are multi generational Gundagai people. The visual amenity of the Tumut area is important to us. It should not be ruined for future generations by power lines that could be underground.

The various visual impacts of the project have largely been ignored as the project has pushed forward without complete and robust consultation or consideration of the human impacts.

There are comparable projects overseas where decisions have been made to build the lines underground. Australia is an advanced country with forward looking government. We should continue to be forward looking for our generations of today and tomorrow.

Let's complete this important project properly.

I urge the Standing Committee to recommend that undergrounding is the best way forward for renewable energy transmission in NSW. As we transition to net zero emissions we need environmentally responsible power transmission as well as generation.