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

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There are many reasons to put the transmission lines for the renewable energy underground.poles and wires running all over the country will look terrible and affect those towns who rely on tourist industry.

It is well known that Australia is a land of bushfires which seem to be happening more regularly each year. If the wires are above ground they could potentially cause wild fires (this has happened in the past) and the towers holding up the wires could attract lightening strikes.

Another reason not to trust the towers holding up the wires - in the past (South Australia) these towers have buckled during a bad storm which caused large areas to have blackouts.

If underground, the wires would be - safe from extreme weather events, any sort of attack by terrorists, not cause fires and I understand is also cheaper.