

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

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The Director,
Select Committee on the Feasibility of Undergrounding
Infrastructure for Renewable Energy Projects,
Parliament House,
Macquarie Street,
SYDNEY NSW 2000

10th November 2023

Dear Director,

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

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission to this critical inquiry. I write this submission to show my support for undergrounding transmission infrastructure.

We have resided at the above address for 53 years but have also spent our whole lives within the Gilmore Valley. We are extremely concerned with the installation of overhead transmission lines. Our house is located approximately 300 metres from the proposed HumeLink line (across the Batlow Road) and these structures will be visually horrible plus the humming sound will impact our general and mental health.

The consultation process has been very poor with little to no communication about the project.

Transgrid has not been completely honest with the undergrounding costs as Amplitude estimating the cost to be only 1.5 more expensive compared with the 3-10 times quoted by Transgrid. Why is this not being strongly considered by the NSW Government and Transgrid?

Having been severely damaged by the Dunns Road fire how are we going to be able to fight a fire with power lines dissecting our property. We can't drive tankers under them, no aircraft will be able to help and ground crew will be expected to risk their lives to fight these fire by hand. This is the 21st century not the 19th.

This project must go underground there is no other option.

Yours sincerely