



HEARING SCHEDULE

IMPACT OF RENEWABLE ENERGY ZONES (REZ) ON RURAL AND REGIONAL COMMUNITIES AND INDUSTRIES IN NEW SOUTH WALES

25 September 2025

Singleton Civic Centre, Singleton

TIME	WITNESS	POSITION AND ORGANISATION	SUB NO.
9.00 am	Mr Trevor Ryan	Director, Planning and Environment, Dungog Shire Council	8 & 8a
	Mr Justin Fitzpatrick-Barr	General Manager, Singleton Council	40
	Mrs Mary-Anne Crawford	Manager, Development and Environmental Services, Singleton Council	
	Cr Jeff Drayton	Mayor, Muswellbrook Shire Council	-
	Mr Derek Finnigan	General Manager, Muswellbrook Shire Council	-
	Mr Ben Maddox	Coordinator, Sustainability Strategy and Education, Maitland City Council	-
10:30 am	MORNING TEA		
10:45 am	Mr Timothy Jarratt	Ausgrid Group Executive Market Development & Strategy, Ausgrid	36
	Mr Daniel Sartor	Ausgrid Head of Major Projects, Ausgrid	
	Mr Michael Johnson	General Manager, Community and Social Licence, Transgrid	-
	Mr Struan Wilson	Program Director – Hunter Transmission Project, Transgrid	-
	Mr Richard Poole	CEO, Verdant Earth Technologies	-
	Mr Costa Tsiolkas	General Manager, Verdant Earth Technologies	-

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11:30 am	Mr Justin Page	Coordinator, Hunter Jobs Alliance	39
	Mr Tom Edwards <i>(via videoconference)</i>	Research and Policy Officer, Unions NSW	
	Mr Matthew Murray	Member, Newcastle Branch Committee, Maritime Union of Australia	92
	Mr James Miranda	Policy & Research Officer, ETU NSW & ACT Branch Electrical Trades Union	-
12:30 pm	LUNCH		
1.30 pm	Dr John Shiel	Member, Renew – Hunter Region Branch	59
2.00 pm	Ms Kerry Atkins	NSW Policy Director, AMEC (Association of Mining Exploration Companies)	38
	Ms Paula Dell- McCumstie	NSW Policy Advisor, AMEC (Association of Mining Exploration Companies)	
2.30 pm	Mr Michael Holz	Resident and representing Singleton Solar Standoff community group	140
	Mrs Myree Russell	Farmer/landholder	107
3.30 pm	FINISH		