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TRANSGRID

By email regulatory.consultation@transgrid.com.au

Comment on Powerlink - TransGrid PSCR

To whom it may concern,

GAIA is grateful to have an opportunity to comment on this infrastructure program and GAIA welcomes and supports this program which is expected to benefit consumers in both NSW and QLD in near future.

After reviewing all the options listed by TransGrid, GAIA would like to propose a variant option to Option 5 which is a fast delivery battery project at very high cost.

GAIA is currently developing a solar farm at Bonshaw in NSW which is proposed to connect to grid through Dumaresq substation located next to the site. For an upfront CAPEX cost payment or medium to long term ongoing annual fee, GAIA is able to provide SIPs, FCAS and load shifting service as well as other network services with the solar + battery project under development at Bonshaw.

By sharing the development and grid connection cost, having lower cost of capital, being a highly commercially driven developer as well as having good network with high cost main equipment manufacturers, GAIA believes cost savings can be passed on to TransGrid as well as the consumers.

We look forward to hear from you soon and our proposed option opens another option for this project.

Sincerely,

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