

Submission on the referral

Energy North Pty Ltd – Project Ares

This submission is made under regulation 53 of the Environment Protection Regulations 2020

Government authority: Department of Logistics and Infrastructure

Section of Referral	Theme or issue	Comment
NA	NTG road network	The Transport and Civil Infrastructure Division of the Department of Logistics and Infrastructure (TCI, DLI) has not identified any matters within the purview of TCI, DLI that must be addressed in the assessment of the referral or draft Terms of Reference. TCI, DLI requires the following information from the proponent to be addressed directly with TCI: • Prior to commencement of any works, a Traffic Impact Report in accordance with the <i>Austroads Guide to Traffic Management Part 12: Integrated Transport Assessments for Developments</i> is required for the proposed development. The report must detail the development's traffic generation, trip distribution, traffic operation impact, the nature and timing of impacts, and recommended measures required to accommodate and/or mitigate the traffic impacts of the development, including construction traffic. • Any proposed works, (including installation of any services or service connections) within or impacting upon the NTG controlled road reserves shall be in accordance with the standards and specifications of the DLI. Design documents must be submitted to TCI for road agency approval, and no works are to commence prior to approval. In addition, where a pipeline is proposed to be located within an NTG-controlled road reserve, a legal agreement must be executed between the pipeline owner and the Department prior to installation. • Prior to commencement of any works, where the developer propose to utilise an existing, but un-formalised and / or unapproved access to an NTG controlled road, the access shall be upgraded to meet current standards in accordance with the Austroads "Guide to Traffic Management", "Guide to Road Design", relevant Australian Standards and the requirements of TCI, DLI. The access shall be designed and constructed to accommodate the maximum sized vehicle expected to utilize the access. • Prior to commencement of any works, any new access (either temporary or permanently), or utilization / upgrading of an existing unsealed, un-formalised or unapproved access, NTG controlled road required to access the proposed development area is subject to TCI approval. • The clearing and future use of the land shall not be detrimental to the drainage, flood immunity or safety of the NTG controlled road reserve through the blocking of off-let drains, natural drainage channels or overland flow.