

# Referral form - Referring a proposed action or strategic proposal to the NT EPA under sections 48 to 50 of the Environment Protection Act 2019

## Guiding notes

- This form must be read in conjunction with environmental impact assessment guidance for proponents on the [NT EPA website](#) including Referring a proposal to the NT EPA
- Supporting information must be attached to the referral form in a report format
- Information is not limited to the size of the boxes on this form.
- Further guidance or example responses are provided below in light grey text.

PART A - Proponent details	
Name of the proponent/s <i>(legal entity)</i>	Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet (CM&C)
Proponent trading Name if relevant	Northern Territory of Australia
<input type="checkbox"/> Australian Company Number(s) <b>OR</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Australian Business Number(s)	ACN: _____  ABN: 84 085 734 992
Provide a description of the organisational structure with respect to responsibility of the proposed action, environmental approvals and implementation.	The Future of Jabiru and Kakadu business unit within the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet has primary responsibility for this referral and the project to deliver a new hybrid power station in Jabiru.
Proponent contact details for the proposed action	Name: Rowan Reilly  Position/responsibility: Director, Jabiru Essential Services  Physical address: 22 Mitchell Street, Darwin, Northern Territory 0800  Phone: 0498 184 644  Email: rowan.reilly@nt.gov.au
Joint-venture partners (if applicable) including name, primary contact person, postal address, phone and email	Name: NA  Physical address

	Phone Email
Consultants details (if acting on behalf of the proponent) including business name, primary contact person, postal address, phone and email	Business name: CDM Smith Name of primary contact: Paul Davey Physical address: 48-50 Smith St, Darwin, Northern Territory 0800 Phone 0429 925 538 Email daveyp@cdmsmith.com

<b>PART B – Outline of the proposal and location</b>	
<b>Outline of the proposal</b>	
Title of the proposal	Environmental Approvals Jabiru Power Station
Provide a brief summary (one or two paragraphs) of the proposal including the activity type/ industry/ duration.	<p>The purpose of this document is to refer the proposed Jabiru Hybrid Power Station Project to the Northern Territory Environment Protection Authority (NT EPA) as a 'referral of a proposed action' under Section 48 of the Environment Protection Act 2019 (NT).</p> <p>The Northern Territory Government, via the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet (CM&amp;C), has finalised a major procurement process and selected Energy Developments Pty Ltd as the successful private sector proponent to build, own and operate a new hybrid power station and supply electricity to Jabiru through a long-term contract.</p> <p>This project is a key commitment by the Northern Territory Government under the Memorandum of Understanding on the Future of Jabiru Township and is critical to ensuring ongoing electricity supply for the town. It will improve the sustainability and carbon emissions profile of both Jabiru and Kakadu, by incorporating a minimum 50% renewable energy component. The project supports the Mirarr traditional owners' vision for Jabiru as a sustainable tourism</p>

town. The hybrid power station needs to be operational for first supply by 31 December 2021 when the current electricity supply provided by Energy Resources of Australia (ERA) from the Ranger Uranium Mine is due to be retired.

**Location**

Location:

- a) street address, suburb, tenement details, lot/section numbers, town/hundred, NT Portion or pastoral lease numbers, as applicable; or
- b) if remote, the nearest town or recognisable feature and distance and direction from that town/feature to the site of the proposed action.

Category	Lot 2303	El Sherana Road Easement
coordinates (Lat, long) (GDA 94)	Lot 2303-12.654490, 132.855267 32 <i>Proposed hybrid power station site</i> -12.652737, 132.855378	-12.65888, 132.84673
Current land use	Treated effluent spray irrigation area	Existing power distribution services and other services to Jabiru township
Address	Lot 2303, unnamed road, Jabiru, Northern Territory	El Sherana Road, Jabiru
Tenure Type	Freehold	Freehold
Title (Volume/ folio)	705/ 746	705/726
Lot number	2303	1428
Survey ID	LTO84/045	LTO84/045
Town planning code	JABSP	-
Town Planning Zone	Utilities (UJ)	Main Road (MJ)
Area (ha)	32.43 ha	4.8 ha
Local Government Area	West Arnhem Region	West Arnhem Region

Located within the Jabiru Town Plan Area. Access is via the Arnhem Highway via the bitumen sealed all year access points Whites Road and El Sherana Road. Figure 2-2 of the Referral document.

Name of the <a href="#">Local Government Authority/ies</a> in which the proposal is located.	West Arnhem Region
What is the land tenure type?	Freehold
Is the <a href="#">land zoned under the NT Planning Scheme</a> ?	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes If so, what is the zoning/s? Lot 2303 is zone Infrastructure, Utilities (UJ) and Lot 1428 is zones Infrastructure, Main Road (MJ).
What is the current land use of the proposed footprint?	<p><u>Lot 2303 (total area 32.43ha)</u></p> <p><u>Proposed footprint (total area 15.28ha)</u></p> <p>-Northern section (14ha) to be disturbed current land use is undisturbed.</p> <p>-Western section (1.28ha) to be disturbed current land use is an unsealed access road.</p> <p>The southern section current land use is for effluent spray irrigation area but is excluded from the project area.</p> <p><u>Lot 1428 (total area 4.8ha)</u></p> <p><u>Proposed footprint</u></p> <p>-A section of easement (0.75ha) to be disturbed current land use is the El Sherana road and easement for the existing power distribution services and other services to Jabiru township.</p> <p>Refer to Figure 2.2 and 2.3 of the Referral document.</p>
What is the approximate distance (as the crow flies) and direction to the closest human sensitive receptor (for example, residence, accommodation, hospital, school) from the proposal	The nearest property which is zoned industrial is 1.14km south West. The nearest zoned residential development is located 1.6km south of the proposed power station.

## PART C – Referral type

<p>What type of proposal is being referred?</p> <p>*provide the NT EPA reference number of the proposed action that is being varied. The number is located in the top left hand corner of a notice of decision for that proposal being varied e.g. EP2020/001</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> proposed action</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> strategic proposal</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> proponent initiated EIS</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> significant variation to proposal* NT EPA reference number</p>
<p>Provide a brief justification including the reasons why you consider the action may have a significant impact on the environment and is referred to the NT EPA.</p> <p><i>Refer to section 11 of the EP Act and the NT EPA's environmental factors and objectives.</i></p>	<p>The proponent has conducted a self assessment, various studies, surveys, investigations, stakeholder consultation and a preliminary risk assessment to determine whether this project has the potential to have a significant impact on the environment (refer to Referral). The proponent has concluded that significant adverse impacts on the environment are unlikely to occur from the project and have provided mitigation and management measures to manage the risks, created as part of the Environmental Impact Assessment in the Referral document.</p>

<b>PART D – Fit and proper person to hold environmental approval</b>	
<p>Has the proponent contravened a law of the Territory or another jurisdiction that relates to environmental matters, including matters relating to pollution, biodiversity, natural resources, planning, development or waste?</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Provide details:</p>
<p>Has the proponent contravened a law of the Territory or another jurisdiction that relates to work health and safety?</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Provide details:</p>
<p>Has the proponent committed an offence against any law of the Territory or another jurisdiction that involves an element of fraud or dishonesty?</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p>

	Provide details:
Has the proponent behaved or is likely to behave in a way that is inconsistent with the persons duty as an approval holder, should an approval be issued?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Provide details:

<b>PART E - Referrer details and declaration</b>			
Who is referring this proposal?		<input type="checkbox"/> Proponent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Authorised representative of proponent entity	
<b>Name</b> Paul Davey		<b>Signature</b> <i>Paul Davey</i>	
Position	Principal Environmental Scientist	Organisation	CDM Smith
Email	daveyp@cdmsmith.com		
Address	Level 1, 48-50	Smith Street	
Darwin		NT	0800
Does the referrer request that the NT EPA treat any part of the information in the referral as confidential, as per section (281(2)) of the EP Act?  <i>Provide an application under regulation 271 of the EP Regulations and the confidential information in a separate attachment.</i>		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>Referral declaration by proponent:</b>  I, Paul Davey ( <i>full name</i> ) declare that I am authorised to refer this proposed action on behalf of the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet and further declare that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the attached environmental impact assessment documents have been prepared in accordance with the EP Act and EP Regulations; and</li> </ul>			

- the attached environmental impact assessment documents (including attachments) are true
- the attached environmental impact assessment documents do not provide false or misleading information and I know it is an offence to provide false and misleading information, noting the penalties under section 260 of the EP Act, and section 119 of the *Criminal Code Act 1983* and
- the proponent is a fit and proper person to hold an environmental approval in accordance with section 62 of the EP Act; and
- the proponent fully understands that referral under the EP Act does not limit, in any way, the requirements of the proponent to ensure approvals under any other regulatory regime are applied for, and adhered to; and
- the proponent has fulfilled its general duty in accordance with section 43 of the EP Act.

*Provide explicit details in an attachment to this form substantiating the requirements of section 62(a) to (c) [fit and proper person] and section 43(a) to (g) [general duties] of the EP Act have been met.*

Contact for the proposal (if different from Part A)  
*Please include: name, physical address, phone, and email.*