# **North East** Wind

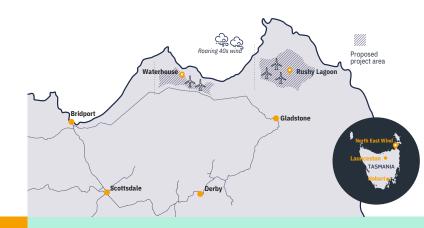
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### Project update: Winter 2023

North East Wind involves the proposed development of a large-scale wind farm located on agricultural land in the Dorset municipality in North East Tasmania.

The project will be developed across two clusters, Waterhouse in the west and Rushy Lagoon in the east. With a generation capacity of up to 1,260 megawatts, North East Wind includes the construction of up to 210 wind turbines.



#### At a glance

North East Wind will help Australia transition to net zero carbon emissions, delivering low-cost renewable energy and iobs for Tasmania.





Up to 400 jobs at peak during construction



Up to **65**operational
jobs for
25 years

















# Our growing need for clean energy

The Australian Energy Market Operator (AEMO) forecasts that Tasmania's future energy demand could double by 2030\* as our transport and remaining industry sectors are electrified, and future green industries like Green Hydrogen come online.

The 200% Tasmanian Renewable Energy Target (TRET) also calls for doubling renewable energy production by

\*AEMO Electricity Statement of Opportunities Report 2022

### Investing in the past



ACEN Australia was generously invited by Melythina Tiakana Warrana Aboriginal Corporation (Heart of Country) to visit Tebrakunna, the ancestral land of the pairebenna clan in Tasmania's North East, to undertake a two-day cultural awareness and sensitivity training session.

As the traditional custodians of the region, we thank respected Aunty Patsy Cameron, and mtwAC representatives Jo and Nick Cameron for sharing their knowledge and time. For anyone wishing to build their knowledge base of Tasmania's Aboriginal history, we encourage you to reach out to mtwAC and participate in their Cultural Awareness and Sensitivity Awareness course

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# Project approvals

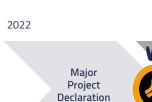
Under the Major Projects approvals process North East Wind is assessed by an independent panel with input from relevant regulators and experts. It is anticipated that the panel will provide assessment criteria in the coming months.

The assessment criteria are then addressed in the Major Project Impact Statement (MPIS), submitted by ACEN Australia. The final decision on the project is made by the panel following assessment of the Major Project Impact Statement and public consultation.

\*Environmental Protection Authority Board (EPA)

Tasmanian Planning Commission (TPC)

#### Major Projects approvals process





MPIS lodged Assessment for Criteria assessment released and public display

Determination following public hearing

#### Eligibility

Minister for Planning determines eligibility and makes Major project declaration

#### Preliminary assessment

Project proposal submitted for consideration by independent assessment Panel appointed by Regulators and experts.

Independent panel produces assessment criteria based on advice from regulators including the EPA (Tas) and TPC\*

#### Assessment

Major Project Impact Statement (MPIS) lodged addressing assessment criteria and release for public comment

Public hearing before Panel and Regulators make final decision including approval conditions.

#### Bird surveys

Key studies have commenced in preparation for the Major Projects assessment criteria, including quarterly bird surveys.

Expert ecologists from North Barker Ecosystem Services returned to site in March to undertake a round of surveys and monitoring at both Rushy Lagoon and Waterhouse site locations.

Data captured during different seasons over multiple years provides an understanding of how birds that inhabit or pass through the area may interact with the project during construction and operational stages. ACEN Australia uses the data to develop an environmentally sustainable project.



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#### About ACEN Australia

At ACEN Australia, we develop, construct and operate large scale renewable energy projects, helping Australia transition to a clean energy future.

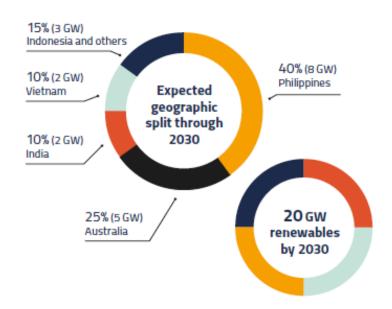
We have more than 1GW capacity of large scale renewable energy in construction, and more than 8GW capacity in the development pipeline. Our renewable energy assets include solar, wind, battery and pumped hydro and energy storage projects across Australia.

New England Solar (Stage 1) in NSW is ACEN Australia's first operational project. It is one of Australia's largest solar projects participating in the National Electricity Market (NEM) and is the largest solar project in Australia to be financed on a fully merchant basis. Stubbo Solar in the NSW Central-West Orana Renewable Energy Zone (REZ) is ACEN Australia's second project, which commenced construction in late 2022.

## Leading the charge in the renewables revolution

ACEN Australia is a wholly owned subsidiary of ACEN (PSE: ACEN), the listed energy platform of the Ayala group. One of the largest renewable energy companies in South East Asia, in 2022 ACEN announced its vision to achieve 20GW of attributable renewable energy capacity by 2030. It aims to realise this through geographic expansion, new technologies, and strategic partnerships, utilizing an extensive project pipeline across ACEN's current markets – the Philippines, Australia, India, Indonesia, and Vietnam – as well as new geographies.

The global energy crisis has accelerated the demand for a cleaner and more secure energy ecosystem, and ACEN is taking a leading role in the renewables revolution. We are embarking on a bold strategy to turbocharge growth by fivefold to assemble 20GW of renewables capacity by 2030. With decarbonization at the core of our vision, the 2030 aspiration purposefully supports our goal to achieve Net Zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050.



### One of Australia's largest solar projects opened

#### **New England Solar**

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In March, Stage 1 of ACEN Australia's New England Solar project was officially opened by the Hon Chris Bowen MP, Federal Minister for Climate Change.

The 720 megawatt (MW) project is being developed in two stages. The first 400 MW stage of the project has been in construction since March 2021.

ACEN Australia is investing more than \$5M in community benefits sharing in Uralla over the next 25+ years as part of the project.



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