

17 December 2025

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Tasmanian Planning Commission
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Dear Mr Howlett,

**North West Transmission Upgrades Project (Palmerston to Hampshire): Relocation of
110kV Overhead Transmission Line**

I refer to your letter of 16 December 2025 to Dr Seán McGoldrick, CEO TasNetworks, in relation to the proposed relocation of 14 towers of the existing TL441 110kV overhead transmission line.

I acknowledge that the Panel's position has not changed following receipt of my letter of 9 December and that the Panel still considers that the proposed relocation does not constitute 'modification' for the purpose of s.57 of the *Electricity Supply Industry Act 1995* and Regulation 8 of the *Electricity Supply Industry Regulations 2018*.

While TasNetworks does not agree with the Panel's interpretation, given the already delayed project assessment timelines, we do not intend to engage in further debate on the matter.

Accordingly, I advise that I have written to the Hon Kerry Vincent MLC, Minister for Housing and Planning and have requested that he agree to amend the *Major Infrastructure Development Approvals (North West Transmission Upgrades Project) Order 2020* to include the proposed 110kV OHTL relocation within the prescribed scope of works that constitute the project.

Should you require any further information please contact David Palmer, Leader Planning and Statutory Assessments on 0438 093 393 or by email at:
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Yours sincerely



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