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Dear Mr Jacobi

**North West Transmission Upgrades Project
Permit for Palmerston to Hampshire Section
Request for Advice on Environmental Offsets**

The Delegated Assessment Panel (the Panel) is currently undertaking its assessment of the permit application submitted by TasNetworks for the North West Transmission Upgrades Project – Palmerston to Hampshire Section. At its meeting on 10 October 2025, the Panel resolved to seek the advice of the Department of Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania (NRE Tas) regarding environmental offsets associated with the project. To assist in its deliberations, the Panel would appreciate advice from NRE Tas on the following matters:

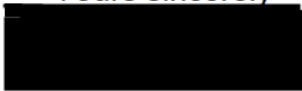
1. Whether NRE Tas agrees with TasNetworks' position that no environmental offsets are required once the proposed mitigation measures have been implemented.
2. Whether NRE Tas considers that environmental offsets may be appropriate in circumstances where impacts occur to vegetation communities or species that are not listed under the *Threatened Species Protection Act 1995* (TSPA) or the *Nature Conservation Act 2002* (NCA).

Please note, in accordance with usual Commission practice, this letter and your response will be posted on the Commission's website.

Should you require any further information or clarification in relation to this request, please contact Ben Ikin or Odin Kelly, Planning Advisers, on (03) 6165 6831 or (03) 6165 6803 respectively.

The Panel appreciates the Department's assistance in this matter.

Yours sincerely



Roger Howlett
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Delegated Assessment Panel