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AIP Plan reference code:

Australian Industry Participation Plan Summary - Project Phase

**Nominated project proponent:** UPPER BURDEKIN WIND FARM PTY LTD

Project details

Name: Gawara Baya

Location: Mount Fox, Queensland

Type: Electricity facility

Purpose: Establish new facility

Capital expenditure: $ 1,200,000,000

Description: Upper Burdekin Wind Farm Pty Ltd (UBWF or the proponent), a subsidiary of Windlab, is proposing to develop Gawara Baya, a transformative wind energy project located near the Mount Fox community, northwest of Townsville, Queensland. Situated on an active cattle property, within Gugu Badhun Country, Gawara Baya, can be responsibly developed, grid connected and producing power by 2027-generating approximately 400 megawatts (MW) of renewable energy. The project comprises of up to 69 WTGs and associated ancillary infrastructure including access tracks, laydowns, electrical reticulation, collector sub-stations, concrete batching plants and construction offices. It is estimated to generate up to $200 million in regional spend on various aspects including plant, materials, and labour. Construction on Gawara Baya may commence in April 2024, after all regulatory approval requirements have been satisfied. UBWF makes a concerted effort to procure local products and enlist the services of local providers. Construction of the project is being managed under a split contracting model which offers significantly greater flexibility than traditional Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC)-wrap contracts. Our approach ensures we leverage specialised expertise, optimise risk management, and promote competitive procurement to elevate opportunity and overcome project challenges while maximising value for our shareholders. Importantly, our construction management approach supports sustainable and meaningful opportunities for local people and businesses to participate in the delivery of our projects through adaptive procurement packaging aligned with regional capacity – a critical part of securing social license and delivering a lasting positive project legacy.

Completion date: 31 Mar 2027

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Key goods and services

Indicative list of key goods and services to be acquired for the project:

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Key goods and services** | **Opportunities for  Australian entities\*** | **Opportunities for  non-Australian  entities** | **Explanation for no opportunities for Australian entities** |

Civil Balance of Plant Yes Yes

Electrical Balance of Plant Yes Yes

Bess & PCS Supply and Install Yes Yes

Accommodation Camp Supply and Install Yes No

Offsite Roadworks Yes No

Earthmoving and Equipment Supply Yes No

Concrete Supply Yes No

Reinforced Steel Supply Yes No

Trenching and Cable Laying Yes No

High and Medium Voltage Electrical Yes Yes

Equipment Supply

High Voltage Transmission Line Yes No   
Construction

Building Construction Yes No

Crane and Mechanical Equipment Supply Yes Yes

Design, Legal, Insurance, Logistics Yes No

Services

Environment and Planning Services (e.g. Yes No   
Ecology, Cultural Heritage)

Material Products Supply (e.g. Quarried Yes No   
stone, sand)

Water Carting Services Yes No

Fencing Contractors Yes No

Hospitality Services (e.g. Accommodation, Yes No

Catering)

Wind Turbine Tower Manufacture Yes Yes

Wind Turbine Generator and Tower Yes Yes

Deliveries

Wind Turbine Generator and Tower Yes Yes   
Installation

Wind Turbine Generator Manufacture Yes Yes

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An Australian entity is an entity with an ABN or ACN   
Project standards:

Australian   
International

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Supplier information and communication

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Project proponent website: [www.gawarabaya.com](http://www.gawarabaya.com)

Project opportunities website: [gateway.icn.org.au/project/6406/gawara-baya](http://gateway.icn.org.au/project/6406/gawara-baya)

Supplier engagement and communication actions :

Promote project opportunities through industry associations

Engage with vendor identification agencies on project opportunities and bid processes

Conduct supplier information briefings on project opportunities and bid processes

Issue media releases or ASX announcements on project developments and opportunities

Directly contact suppliers with information on project opportunities and bid processes

Building Australian industry capability

Supplier capability development actions:

Recommend suppliers undertake training and/or accreditation

Support supplier development initiatives of industry associations or governments

Global supply chain integration actions:

Introduce suppliers to global supply chain partners

Recommend suppliers undertake export readiness training or international accreditation

Provide references for high performing suppliers

Feedback process for unsuccessful bidders:

Ensuring procurement entities offer and provide feedback to unsuccessful Australian bidders for a project, including recommendations for relevant training, skills, capability, and capacity development, requires a structured and transparent approach. We aim to identify specific areas where bidders fell short, such as technical skills, financial capacity or experience and offer tailored feedback if requested. Our response will offer constructive feedback that highlights both strengths and weaknesses of a tender proposal. By implementing this structured feedback process, procurement entities can contribute to the development and improvement of Australian bidders, fostering a more competitive and capable pool of suppliers for future projects. This approach not only benefits individual bidders but also strengthens the overall procurement ecosystem.

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Australian Industry Participation Plan Summary - Operations Phase

**Nominated facility operator:** UPPER BURDEKIN WIND FARM PTY LTD

Facility details

Name: Gawara Baya

Location: Mount Fox, Queensland

Type: Electricity facility

Key goods and services

Indicative list of key goods and services to be acquired for the new facility:

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Key goods and services** | **Opportunities for Australian entities** | **\*** | **Opportunities for  non-Australian  entities** | **Explanation for no opportunities for Australian entities** |

Wind Turbine Spare Parts Yes Yes

Generic Materials and Yes Yes

Components

Specialist Tools and Safety Yes Yes

Equipment

Wind Turbine Maintenance Yes Yes

Technicians

Operations Facility Staff Yes No

General Services Contracts Yes No

Post-Construction Consultancy Yes Yes

Services

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Health, Safety and Environment Training | Yes No |

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Facility standards:

Australian   
International

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Facility operator website: [www.gawarabaya.com](http://www.gawarabaya.com)

Facility opportunities website: [gateway.icn.org.au/project/6406/gawara-baya](http://gateway.icn.org.au/project/6406/gawara-baya) (used to publish construction and operational opportunities until 31 March 2027) [www.gawarabaya.com](http://www.gawarabaya.com) (used to publish ad hoc operational opportunities post 31 March 2027)

Supplier engagement and communication actions :

Promote project opportunities through industry associations

Issue media releases or ASX announcements on project developments and opportunities

Develop and distribute a supplier information guide for the project

Directly contact suppliers with information on project opportunities and bid processes

Building Australian industry capability

Supplier capability development actions:

Recommend suppliers undertake training and/or accreditation

Support supplier development initiatives of industry associations or governments

Global supply chain integration actions:

Introduce suppliers to global supply chain partners

Support suppliers to register with global supplier databases

Recommend suppliers undertake export readiness training or international accreditation

Provide references for high performing suppliers

Feedback process for unsuccessful bidders:

Ensuring that procurement entities offer and provide feedback to unsuccessful Australian bidders for a project, including recommendations for relevant training, skills, capability, and capacity development, requires a structured and transparent approach. We aim to identify specific areas where bidders fell short, such as technical skills, financial capacity or experience and offer tailored feedback if requested. Our response will offer constructive feedback that highlights both strengths and weaknesses of a tender proposal. By implementing this structured feedback process, procurement entities can contribute to the development and improvement of Australian bidders, fostering a more competitive and capable pool of suppliers for future projects. This approach not only benefits individual bidders but also strengthens the overall procurement ecosystem.

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