**Nominated project proponent:** Marinus Link Pty Ltd

Project details

Name: Project Marinus

Location: NW Tasmania, Bass Straight, Victoria

Type: Electricity facility

Purpose: Establish new facility

Capital expenditure: $500 million or more

Description: Marinus Link is a proposed undersea and underground electricity and telecommunications interconnector between North West Tasmania and the Latrobe Valley in Victoria. The project comprises high voltage direct current (HVDC) cables, fibre optic cables, and converter stations in both Tasmania and Victoria. Marinus Link Pty Ltd (MLPL) is responsible for progressing the Marinus Link project and is jointly owned by the Australian, Tasmanian and Victorian governments. MLPL is a three-part equity ownership between the Australian Government (49%), the Victorian Government (33.3%) and the Tasmanian Government (17.7%). Marinus Link will be supported by more than 240 kilometres of high voltage alternating current (HVAC) network developments in Tasmania, known as the [North West Transmission Developments](https://www.tasnetworks.com.au/poles-and-wires/planning-and-developments/north-west-transmission-developments) (NWTD). NWTD is being progressed by TasNetworks, Tasmania’s transmission and distribution network service provider. TasNetworks is wholly owned by the State of Tasmania.

The Stage 1 scope is expected to be commissioned by 2030. It will include earthworks and site preparation of the converter station site to address requirements for both converter stations, access tracks and construction laydown areas, and all HDD drilling for the shore crossings, road and river crossings for both Stages, and trenching works to install conduits and joint pits within the linear easements that will accommodate cables for both Stages. Stage 1 also includes laying the cables for the Stage 1 cable circuit (including across Bass Strait), and construction of the Stage 1 converter station at each of Hazelwood and Heybridge (and transition station, if required). Rehabilitation works would be implemented following Stage 1 works. Stage 2 will include installing the cables for the Stage 2 cable circuit (including across Bass Strait) and construction of the Stage 2 converter stations at each of Hazelwood and Heybridge.

Completion date: 27 Jun 2030

Key goods and services

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

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

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**Key goods and services**

NWTD– Transmission Lines

NWTD– Substations

NWTD Transmission Lines & Substations - LiDAR

**Opportunities for Australian entities\***

**Opportunities for   
non-Australian   
entities**

**Explanation for no opportunities for Australian entities**

Yes Yes

Yes Yes

Yes No

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Yes Yes

Yes Yes

Yes Yes

Yes Yes

Yes Yes

Yes Yes

Yes Yes

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NWTD Transmission Lines & Substations - Geotechnical Investigation

NWTD– Transmission Lines Tower Family Design & Testing

NWTD-Development of 75◦C sag clearance solutions

NWTD-Landowner and Community Liaison

Converter Station Primary Plant (TAS & VIC)

Converter Station Auxiliary Plant (TAS & VIC)

Converter Station Building & Civil Engineering (TAS & VIC)

Converter Station - Site Preparation and Establishment (TAS)

Converter Station - Site Preparation and Establishment (VIC)

Land Cable Design, Supply and Installation (VIC)

Geophysical & Geotechnical Seabed Survey

Onshore Geotechnical Survey

Due to the technical requirements, required volumes, delivery capacities, capabilities, manufacturing, specialised testing and lead times there is only limited international supplier capacity able to meet the project requirements. None of these international suppliers are Australian entities.

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Yes No

No Yes

No Yes

Yes No

Yes No

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UXO Consultant Yes Yes

Yes Yes

Yes Yes

Yes No

Yes Yes

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Offshore & Onshore Client Representatives

Power System Studies

Health, Safety & Environmental Coordinator

Cable   
Protection   
Studies &   
Design

Insurance Broker

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Technical,  Engineering &  Project  Management  Services | Yes Yes |

Legal Advisor Yes No

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| --- | --- |
| Offshore  Environmental  Impact  Assessment  Onshore  Environmental  Impact  Assessment  Property,  Planning and  Consents  Services | Yes Yes  Yes No  Yes No |

Grid Connection Yes Yes

LIDAR Yes No

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| --- | --- |
| Marine  Warranty  Surveyor  Quality  Assurance and  Quality Control  Services | Yes Yes  Yes Yes |

Rock Removal Yes Yes

Offshore Training

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Media & Public  Relations  Consultant  Commissioning  Power  Industrial  Relations  Consultant | Yes Yes  Yes No  Yes No |

Yes No

Yes Yes

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| --- | --- |
| Land Cable  Civil  Engineering  Works (VIC)  Marine  Consultant | Yes Yes  Yes Yes |

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Project standards:

Australian   
International

Supplier information and communication

Project proponent’s contact person for supplier enquiries:

**Contact person name** Jason Good

**Contact person position** Procurement Lead– Project Marinus

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Project proponent website: https://www.marinuslink.com.au/

Project opportunities website: <https://www.marinuslink.com.au/become-a-supplier/> <https://projectmarinus.icn.org.au>

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

Update the Project Marinus Website

Create opportunities for Students

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Building Australian industry capability

Supplier capability development actions:

Provide market intelligence to suppliers

Support supplier development initiatives of industry associations or governments

Global supply chain integration actions:

Introduce suppliers to global supply chain partners   
Feedback process for unsuccessful bidders:

TasNetworks and Procurement Entities will offer a debrief to each unsuccessful entity. The debrief will provide factual constructive feedback and recommendations to the unsuccessful entity based on the results of any assessment or evaluation by TasNetworks of the unsuccessful submission(s). The purpose of the constructive feedback is to provide areas of continuous improvement for any future responses by unsuccessful entities to any future project opportunities.

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No Yes

No Yes

Yes Yes

Yes Yes

Yes Yes

No Yes

Yes Yes

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Australian Industry Participation Plan Summary - Operations Phase

**Nominated facility operator:** Marinus Link Pty Ltd

Facility details

Name: Project Marinus

Location: NW Tasmania, Bass Straight, Victoria

Type: Electricity facility

Key goods and services

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

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

Converter Stations Auxiliary Plant O&M, Spares & Tools (TAS) & (VIC)

Converter Stations Primary Plant O&M, Spares & Tools (TAS) & (VIC)

Cable Monitoring (On-shore & Off-shore)

Cable Geographical Information System (On­shore & Off­shore)

Cable

Incidents (On­shore)

Cable

Incidents (Off­shore)

Cable Jointers & Supervisors (On-shore & Off-shore)

To be procured as a Long Term Service Agreement, (incl. mid-life refurbishment) as part of the capital design, supply and installation package. Due to specialised technical requirements, capabilities & testing there is only limited international supplier capacity able to meet the project requirements. None of these international suppliers are Australian entities.

It is unlikely (at this stage) that Australian entities can provide all required activities involved in the services. Due to specialised technical requirements, capabilities & testing there is only limited international supplier capacity able to meet the project requirements. None of these international suppliers are Australian entities. It is unlikely (at this stage) that Australian entities can provide these services. Due to specialised technical requirements, capabilities & testing there is only limited international supplier capacity able to meet the project requirements. None of these international suppliers are Australian entities.

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| No Yes | It is unlikely (at this stage) that Australian entities can provide these services. Due to specialised technical requirements, capabilities & testing there is only limited international supplier capacity able to meet the project requirements. None of these international suppliers are Australian entities. |

Yes Yes

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Cables Spares & Tools (On­shore & Off­shore)

Cable Off­shore Support Services

Converter Stations & Cables On-Site Support Services (Security, Logistics etc.)

Converter Stations & Cables Management Support Services (PM, Stakeholder etc.)

NWTD Vegetation Control, Easement & Access Track Management

NWTD Transmission Line Thermal Surveying

NWTD Earth Testing Program

NWTD Transmission Tower Condition Monitoring

NWTD Transmission Line Maintenance & Repairs

NWTD Substation GIS Switchgear Maintenance

NWTD Substation AIS Switchgear Maintenance

Yes Yes

Yes Yes

Yes No

Yes No

Yes No

Yes No

Yes No

Yes No

Yes No

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| NWTD  Substation  General  Maintenance | Yes No |

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International

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Facility operator’s contact person for supplier enquiries:

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