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Australian Industry Participation Plan Summary - Project Phase

**Nominated project proponent:** Queensland BESS Pty Limited

Project details

Name: Queensland BESS

Location: Lot 1 RP117442 and Lot 32 SP232241, Hopeland, Queensland

Type: Electricity facility

Purpose: Establish new facility

Capital expenditure: $500 million or more

Description: The Queensland Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) Project aims to construct a grid-forming BESS with a capacity of up to 500 megawatts (MW) and a storage capability of up to 2,000 megawatt-hours (MWh) in Queensland. The project's primary objective is to accelerate the deployment of advanced inverter technology at scale in battery projects. These advanced grid-forming inverters enable batteries to perform critical system functions traditionally handled by synchronous generators like coal or gas. They are pivotal in supporting future grids capable of operating with 100%renewable energy generation. The grid-forming inverters will be fine-tuned to enhance system stability specifically within Queensland. The anticipated Commercial Operation Date (COD) for the facility is targeted for September 2027. AGL conducted a comprehensive market tendering process for the Project, receiving responses from various potential BESS and Balance of Plant (BoP) suppliers, both domestic and international. AGL is currently managing the procurement process and plans to finalise the shortlist of suppliers for the BESS and BoP components by 2025.

Completion date: 04 Sep 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** |

Battery Energy Storage System Yes Yes

High Voltage Transformer Yes Yes

Balance of Plant Design and Yes No

Construction

Balance of Plant Construction Yes No
Materials Supply

Supply and Install of Site Temporary Yes No
Facilities

HV substation design and construction Yes No

Civil works and buildings Yes No

Transmission Line design, construction Yes No

and connection

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

Australian
International

Supplier information and communication

Project proponent’s contact person for supplier enquiries:

**Contact person name** Carina Steinbakk

**Contact person position** Senior Manager Power Development

**Phone number** 0402994976

**E-mail** csteinbakk@agl.com.au

Project proponent website: <https://www.agl.com.au/about-agl/operations/queensland-battery?cidi=AGL%7CB1002548>

Project opportunities website: The selected bidders will be the procurement entities for goods and services to this project. AGL will ensure the selected bidders to have publicly accessible website to publish opportunities of supplying key goods and services. In addition, any market suppliers will be able to reach out to AGL or the selected bidders by using the contact details provided on the project website.

Supplier engagement and communication actions :

Promote project opportunities through industry associations

Conduct supplier information briefings on project opportunities and bid processes

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

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Building Australian industry capability

Supplier capability development actions:

Recommend suppliers undertake training and/or accreditation
Transfer new product and process technology to suppliers
Provide feedback to suppliers and evaluation their performance

Global supply chain integration actions:

Support suppliers to register with global supplier databases
Provide references for high performing suppliers

Feedback process for unsuccessful bidders:

AGL procurement department established an evaluation system for bid suppliers and will provide feedback to unsuccessful Australian bidders. This includes an unsuccessful supplier debriefing process, that includes meeting and documented outcomes. With written communication included as part of the process.

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Australian Industry Participation Plan Summary - Operations Phase

**Nominated facility operator:** AGL ENERGY LIMITED

Facility details

Name: Queensland BESS

Location: Lot 1 RP117442 and Lot 32 SP232241, Hopeland, Queensland

Type: Electricity facility

Key goods and services

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

**Opportunities for**

**Australian entities \***

**Opportunities for
non-Australian
entities**

**Explanation for no opportunities for Australian entities**

**Key goods and services**

Service and Maintenance the Yes No

BESS facility

Connection asset maintenance Yes No

\*An Australian entity is an entity with an ABN or ACN
Facility standards:

Australian
International

Supplier information and communication

Facility operator’s contact person for supplier enquiries:

**Contact person name** David Bowly

**Contact person position** Operation Manager
**Phone number** 0434698983

**E-mail** dbowly@agl.com.au

Facility operator website: [agl.com.au](http://agl.com.au)

Facility opportunities website: <https://www.agl.com.au/about-agl/our-company/suppliers-contractors>

Supplier engagement and communication actions :

Promote project opportunities through industry associations

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

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Building Australian industry capability

Supplier capability development actions:

Recommend suppliers undertake training and/or accreditation

Transfer new product and process technology to suppliers

Support supplier development initiatives of industry associations or governments

Global supply chain integration actions:

Support suppliers to register with global supplier databases
Provide references for high performing suppliers

Feedback process for unsuccessful bidders:

AGL established an evaluation system for bid and will provide feedback to unsuccessful Australian bidders. Including a debrief, of feedback relating to relevant training, skills and capability development. Outcomes will include written communication.

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