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Dear Sir/Madam,

Hunter and Central Coast Regional Plans

We refer to the draft plans for the Hunter and Central Coast Regions.

By way of Background, TransGrid is the operator and manager of the NSW high voltage transmission network, which includes freehold property and other land interests.

TransGrid has a number of substations and transmission lines in the area covered by the draft Hunter and Central Coast Regional Plans. TransGrid's easements and their associated rights are required to enable TransGrid to access transmission lines to carry out inspections and maintenance, and to enable TransGrid to control any activity that may pose a risk to the transmission line or to public safety.

To inform any regional planning, attached are drawings showing the location and type of TransGrids assets within the Hunter and Central Coast Regions (equivalent GIS files can also be provided if you do not already have these). Any subdivision or development in proximity to the infrastructure would need to consider the impact to the operation and maintenance of this infrastructure to ensure the safety and operation of the electricity network is protected.

The level of detail in the current draft plans is not sufficient for us to make any comment on the implications for planning TransGrid's future network, however, we would welcome involvement in future more detailed planning for these regional areas.

Please do not hesitate to contact me (ph 9284 3826) if you have any questions in relation to this response or require any more details.

Yours faithfully

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