



Tasmanian Energy Development Conference

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3 – 4 JUNE 2026

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**ADVANCING RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS TO DRIVE
ECONOMIC GROWTH & REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

SPEAKERS INCLUDE:



Hon Nick Duigan MP, *Minister for Energy and Renewables,*
Government of Tasmania



Stephanie McGregor, *Chief Executive Officer,*
Marinus Link



Vanessa Pinto, *Acting Chief Executive Officer,*
**Renewables Climate Change and Future Industries
Tasmania (ReCFIT)**



Claire Connelly, *President,*
**Devonport Chamber of Commerce and Industry
(DCCI)**



James McKee, *Chief Executive Officer & Director of Regional
Development,* **Regional Development Australia –
Tasmania**



David Pollington, *Managing Director,* **ACEN Australia**



Thomas Schmitz, *General Manager, Energy Markets APAC,*
Aquila Clean Energy



Bess Clark, *Chief Executive Officer,* **TasRex**



Andrew Kerley, *Director – Head of Wind,* **Equis**



Alan Morrell, *Chief Executive,*
West Coast Renewable Energy



Damian Vermey, *Head of Development,* **Ark Energy**



Jason Porter, *General Manager, Operations,*
ATMOS Renewables



Senior Representative, **Hydro Tasmania**



Michael van Baarle, *Executive Chairman & Co-founder,*
ABEL Energy



Marc White, *Chief Operating Officer & Principal Consultant,*
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Jarred Hardman, *Chief Strategy & Growth Officer,*
Gamuda Engineering Australia



Ian Jones, *Chair,* **Clean Energy Tasmania**



Susie Bower, *Chief Executive Officer,*
Bell Bay Advanced Manufacturing Zone (BBAMZ)



Nathan Calman, *Chief Executive Officer,* **TasFarmers**



Philip Reid, *Chief Executive Officer,*
Cradle Coast Authority



Mark Bowles, *Dean, Tasmania School of Business and
Economics,* **University of Tasmania**



Clyde Russell, *Asia Commodities and Energy Columnist,*
Thomson Reuters



Kim Mallee, *Director,* **Community Power Agency**



Bronya Lipski, *Head of Policy and Communications -
Australia,* **Boulder Imaging**



Senior Representative, **Solstice Energy**

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Tasmanian Energy Development Conference

Wednesday 3 June 2026

DAY 1

9:30 Registration & Morning Coffee

10:00 DAY ONE OPENING

10:05 OPENING REMARKS

Welcome to the 8th Annual Tasmanian Energy Development Conference & opening remarks from the Chair

10:10 OPENING KEYNOTE MINISTERIAL ADDRESS

Tasmanian Government keynote address

Hon Nick Duigan MP, *Minister for Energy and Renewables, Government of Tasmania*

10:20 The latest developments for the Tasmanian energy industry

Vanessa Pinto, *Acting Chief Executive Officer, Renewables Climate Change and Future Industries Tasmania (ReCFIT)*

10:40 The energy market in 2026 for Tasmania and the wider NEM

Marc White, *Chief Operating Officer & Principal Consultant, Goanna Energy Consulting Pty Ltd*

11:00 Marinus Link: The two-way clean energy highway

Stephanie McGregor, *Chief Executive Officer, Marinus Link*

11:20 Update on Hydro Tasmania's operations

Senior Representative, **Hydro Tasmania**

11:40 Networking and refreshment break

12:10 The latest developments with the Weasel Solar Farm and Cellars Hill Wind Farm

Jarred Hardman, *Chief Strategy & Growth Officer, Gamuda Engineering Australia*

12:30 PANEL DISCUSSION

Community benefit sharing

Kim Mallee, *Director, Community Power Agency*

Nathan Calman, *Chief Executive Officer, TasFarmers*

13:10 Lunch and networking break

14:10 ACEN Australia's Tasmanian Projects, Robbins Island & Jim's Plain Wind, and North East Wind

David Pollington, *Managing Director, ACEN Australia*

14:30 The Whaleback Ridge Renewable Energy Project: Creating a renewable future on Tasmania's west coast

Alan Morrell, *Chief Executive, West Coast Renewable Energy*

14:50 Capabilities of Identiflight in environmental regulation of onshore wind farms

Bronya Lipski, *Head of Policy and Communications - Australia, Boulder Imaging*

15:05 Securing project approvals

15:20 Networking and refreshment break

15:50 The St Patricks Plains Wind Farm: Update on the latest developments

Damian Vermey, *Head of Development, Ark Energy*

16:10 PANEL DISCUSSION

Electricity constraints and economic growth in Tasmania

Ian Jones, *Chair, Clean Energy Tasmania*

16:50 Future load growth in Tasmania...is AI and data centres the answer?

Mark Bowles, *Dean, Tasmania School of Business and Economics, University of Tasmania*

17:10 CLOSING REMARKS

Closing remarks from the Chair & Networking Function 

18:30 CONFERENCE DINNER | Official Conference Dinner

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Thursday 4 June 2026

DAY 2

8:30 Registration & Morning Coffee

9:00 **DAY TWO OPENING**

9:05 **OPENING REMARKS**

Welcome to Day 2 of the 8th Annual Tasmanian Energy Development Conference & opening remarks from the Chair

9:10 **The 'state of play' regarding the developments in the Bell Bay region**

Susie Bower, *Chief Executive Officer, Bell Bay Advanced Manufacturing Zone (BBAMZ)*

9:30 **Gas developments in Tasmania**

Senior Representative, *Solstice Energy*

9:50 **The current transport fuel shortages facing the world and their impacts on Australia**

Clyde Russell, *Asia Commodities and Energy Columnist, Thomson Reuters*

10:10 **The Bell Bay Powerfuels project - Tasmania's premier export hub**

Michael van Baarle, *Executive Chairman & Co-founder, ABEL Energy*

10:30 Networking and refreshment break

11:00 **PANEL DISCUSSION**

Infrastructure investment in the North West

Claire Connelly, *President, Devonport Chamber of Commerce and Industry (DCCI)*

James McKee, *Chief Executive Officer & Director of Regional Development, Regional Development Australia - Tasmania*

Philip Reid, *Chief Executive Officer, Cradle Coast Authority*

11:40 **Update on the Northern Midland Solar Farm**

Bess Clark, *Chief Executive Officer, TasRex*

12:00 **ATMOS Renewables' experience operating the Cattle Hill and Granville Hill wind farms**

Jason Porter, *General Manager, Operations, ATMOS Renewables*

12:20 **The Port Latta Wind Farm: Harnessing Tasmania's wind for clean energy**

Thomas Schmitz, *General Manager, Energy Markets APAC, Aquila Clean Energy*

12:40 **Equis' plans for the Bell Bay wind farm**

Andrew Kerley, *Director - Head of Wind, Equis*

13:00 **CLOSING REMARKS**

Closing remarks from the Chair

13:05 Lunch & End of Conference

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