

Department of Planning and Environment

NSW Electricity Networks Operations Pty Limited Mr John Fisher 180 THOMAS STREET HAYMARKET, NSW, 2000

1 June 2023

Dear Mr Fisher

Project EnergyConnect (NSW - Eastern Section) (SSI-9172452) **Independent Environmental Audit**

I refer to the Independent Environmental Audit (IEA) report and Response to Audit Recommendations (RAR) for the Project EnergyConnect (NSW - Eastern Section), submitted to the Department of Planning and Environment (Department) on 27 May 2023, as required under Schedule 2 Part D Condition D11 for the Project EnergyConnect (NSW - Eastern Section) SSI-9172452 (Approval).

The Department considers the IEA report to generally satisfy the reporting requirements of the Approval and the Independent Audit Post Approval Requirements (2020) (IPAR). Please note that acceptance of this report is not an endorsement of the compliance status of the project.

In accordance with Schedule 2 Part D Condition D12, it is requested that within 1 month from the date of this letter the IEA and RAR are uploaded to the company website.

Should you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Jennifer Rowe, (Senior Compliance Officer) on 0242471851or compliance@planning.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

As nominee of the Planning Secretary