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AIP Plan reference code: TSSNWK5A

Australian Industry Participation Plan Summary - Project Phase

**Nominated project proponent:** The Trustee for Valley of the Winds Project Trust

Project details

Name: Valley of the Winds

Location: Coolah, NSW

Type: Electricity facility

Purpose: Establish new facility

Capital expenditure: $500 million or more

Description: ACEN Valley of the Winds Pty Ltd (ACEN Australia) is proposing to construct the approximate 900-megawatt wind project proposed south of the township of Coolah in the Warrumbungle Shire of NSW. The project site is located in the Central-West Orana Renewable Energy Zone (REZ), which is being managed by EnergyCo NSW on behalf of the NSW Government. ACEN Australia will engage multiple EPC Contractors to provide detailed engineering design, procurement and construction services for the delivery of 131 wind turbines proposed under our development consent and associated high voltage electrical infrastructure. Subject to achieving final project approvals, early works expected to commence in Q1 2027, with construction proposed to commence in late 2027, continuing for a period of over 4 years

Completion date: 31 Dec 2030

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Key goods and services

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

**Key goods and services**

Wind Turbine Generators (Incl associated Equipment) Main Power Transformers

Electrical protection equipment High voltage electrical switchgear Civil engineering structures including road construction Foundation Construction including Concrete and reinforcement High voltage electrical switchgear Civil engineering structures including road construction and fencing

Temporary Accommodation Construction

**Opportunities for   
non-Australian   
entities**

**Explanation for no opportunities for Australian entities**

there is no local manufacturer of grid scale WTG’s in Australia.

there is no local manufacturer able to manufacture the quantities of cables required. There will be Australian based importers and distributors of these cables.

**Opportunities for Australian entities\***

No Yes

Yes Yes

Electrical Cable No Yes

Yes Yes

Yes Yes

Yes Yes

Yes Yes

Yes Yes

Yes Yes

Yes Yes

Engineering Design Yes Yes

Owner’s Engineer!

Contract Management Yes Yes   
Services

Consultancy Services Yes Yes   
Temporary

Accommodation Yes Yes   
Operation Services

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Project standards:

Australian

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Supplier information and communication

Project proponent’s contact person for supplier enquiries:

**Contact person name** Michael Yeo

**Contact person position** Valley Of The Winds Project Manager

**Phone number** 0427776873

**E-mail** [info@valleyofthewinds.com.au](mailto:info@valleyofthewinds.com.au)

Project proponent website: <https://acenrenewables.com.au/project/valley-of-the-winds/>

Project opportunities website: Potential suppliers to the project can register their interest to participate in the construction of the project via the project website – <https://acenrenewables.com.au/project/valley-of-the-winds/> This register of suppliers will be shared with the relevant Contractors upon award. We note that the Contractors may choose to make use of other websites or procurement streams; links to those alternate methods will be provided on the above website.

Supplier engagement and communication actions :

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   
Community consultations on Available opportunities for local businesses

Building Australian industry capability

Supplier capability development actions:

Recommend suppliers undertake training and/or accreditation   
Transfer new product and process technology to suppliers   
Encourage joint ventures and alliances between suppliers

Global supply chain integration actions:

Introduce suppliers to global supply chain partners

Facilitate strategic partnering and joint ventures between Australian and international suppliers

Feedback process for unsuccessful bidders:

ACEN Australia will contractually require that the EPC Contractors complies with this AIP Plan which includes providing feedback to unsuccessful Australian producers and suppliers to encourage improved performance in future EOIs and RFTs. This could include referring unsuccessful eligible Australian companies to the Department of Innovation, Industry and Science’s Entrepreneur’s Programme. The EPC Contractor is to provide documented feedback to unsuccessful Australian producers or suppliers and providing a copy to ACEN Australia to confirm compliance with this requirement.

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Australian Industry Participation Plan Summary - Operations Phase

**Nominated facility operator:** The Trustee for Valley of the Winds Project Trust

Facility details

Name: Valley of the Winds   
Location: Coolah, NSW   
Type: Electricity facility

Key goods and services

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

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

Operation and Maintenance Yes Yes

Services

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Facility standards:

Australian

Supplier information and communication

Facility operator’s contact person for supplier enquiries:

**Contact person name** Michael Yeo

**Contact person position** Valley Of The Winds Project Manager

**Phone number** 0427776873

**E-mail** [info@valleyofthewinds.com.au](mailto:info@valleyofthewinds.com.au)

Facility operator website: <https://acenrenewables.com.au/project/valley-of-the-winds/> ACEN Australia will provide a link to any procurement website introduced by the Operations and Maintenance Contractor, on the project website.

Facility opportunities website: <https://acenrenewables.com.au/project/valley-of-the-winds/> ACEN Australia will provide a link to any procurement website introduced by the Operations and Maintenance Contractor, on the project website.

Supplier engagement and communication actions :

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

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Building Australian industry capability

Supplier capability development actions:

Recommend suppliers undertake training and/or accreditation   
Provide market intelligence to suppliers

Transfer new product and process technology to suppliers Encourage joint ventures and alliances between suppliers

Global supply chain integration actions:

Introduce suppliers to global supply chain partners

Facilitate strategic partnering and joint ventures between Australian and international suppliers

Feedback process for unsuccessful bidders:

AC EN Australia will contractually require that the Operations and Maintenance Contractor complies with this AIP Plan which includes providing feedback to unsuccessful Australian producers and suppliers to encourage improved performance in future EOIs and RFTs. This could include referring unsuccessful eligible Australian companies to the Department of Innovation, Industry and Science’s Entrepreneur’s Programme. The O&M Contractor is to provide documented feedback to unsuccessful Australian producers or suppliers and providing a copy to ACEN Australia to confirm compliance with this requirement.

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