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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 the project's development consent and associated high voltage electrical infrastructure. Stage 1 – Early Works to include - Local roads upgrades and intersection construction - Site accommodation construction - Minor earthworks, minor tree clearing, minor access tracks, drainage, environmental sedimentation and erosion controls, site office establishment Stage 2 –Wind farm Construction to consist of the following activities - Civil Balance of Plant including civil design, access road construction and upgrades, turbine foundations, crane hardstand construction, drainage and erosion control measures - Electrical Balance of Plant including electrical design, supply and installation of reticulation cables, construction of substations, supply and installation of overhead transmission line (330kVA)- Turbine supply and install including turbine manufacture, turbine transport, installation, mechanical and electrical fit out Subject to achieving final project approvals, Contractors to be engaged in early design phase in late 2026 with notice to proceed expected in 2027. Site works expected to commence in mid 2027, continuing for a period of over four 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 Components (Incl blades, holddown bolts, cells, towers, generators)

**Opportunities for**

**Australian entities\***

**Opportunities for

non-Australian

entities**

**Explanation for no**

**opportunities for Australian entities**

Yes Yes

Main Power Transformers Yes Yes

Electrical Cable Yes Yes

Electrical protection equipment Yes Yes

High voltage electrical switchgear Yes Yes

Civil construction works including access Yes No

roads

Concrete batch and supply Yes No

Fencing supply and install Yes No

Temporary Accommodation Construction Yes Yes

Engineering Design Yes Yes

Owner’s Engineer! Contract Management Yes Yes

Services

Consultancy Services Yes Yes

Temporary Accommodation Operation Yes Yes

Services

Reinforcement steel supply Yes Yes

Aggregate and hardstand supply Yes No

Operation and Maintenance Buildings Yes Yes

Mechanical and Electrical construction Yes Yes

Office Cleaning services Yes No

Site security Yes No

Heavy vehicle delivery logistics Yes Yes

Cranes Yes Yes

Traffic management services Yes Yes

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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

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:

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. Feedback will include recommendations of relevant training, skills, capability and capacity development that the suppliers can undertake, such as the Australia Government Industry Growth Program. 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:

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| **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

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 :

Promote project opportunities through industry associations

Conduct supplier information briefings on project opportunities and bid processes

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:

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. Feedback will include recommendations of relevant training, skills, capability and capacity development that the suppliers can undertake, such as the Australia Government Industry Growth Program. The Operations and Maintenance 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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