



Australian Industry
Participation Authority

Australian Jobs Act 2013

AIP Plan reference code: WKJ6MMJ7

Australian Industry Participation Plan Summary - Project Phase

Nominated project proponent: ACERREZ Partnership

Project details

Name: Central-West Orana Renewable Energy Zone Network Infrastructure

Location: Central-West Orana Region of NSW

Type: Electricity facility

Purpose: Establish new facility

Capital expenditure: \$500 million or more

Description: ACERREZ, a partnership of ACCIONA, COBRA and Endeavour Energy, has been appointed network operator by EnergyCo to design, build, finance, operate and maintain the Central-West Orana Renewable Energy Zone (REZ) transmission network for the next 35 years. The project consists of 90km of 500kV overhead transmission lines and 150 km of 330kV transmission lines for generator connections, stretching from Elong Elong in the west through to Barigan Creek in the east, via an energy hub at Merotherie. ACERREZ also has approval to construct two workforce accommodation facilities in Merotherie and Neeleys Lane, Cassilis for workers who will construct the project. The project will deliver at least 4.5 gigawatts of new network capacity by 2028 to connect 7.7 gigawatts of wind and solar projects, which is enough to power more than 2 million homes each year. The Central-West Orana REZ is about 20,000 square kilometres centred by Dubbo and Dunedoo, on the land of the Wiradjuri, Wai Iwan and Kamilaroi people. EnergyCo is leading the development of the REZ transmission network infrastructure in its capacity as the Infrastructure Planner for the REZs in NSW. The project phases and procurement entities include: Acciona Cobra JV D&C Contractor procurement peaks in early 2025 through 2026, with Pre-construction minor works from Q1 2025, Construction from Q3 2025 and staged energisation to completion from 2028 to 2031. ACERREZ M&L Contractor Pty Limited ATF ACERREZ M&L Contractor Trust M&L Primary services procurement is anticipated to commence market process in Q3 2026, with the operations phase commencing in 2028. ACERREZ partners will be contractually required to comply with the project's AIP plan.

Completion date: 31 Dec 2028

Key goods and services

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

Key goods and services	Opportunities for Australian entities*	Opportunities for non-Australian entities	Explanation for no opportunities for Australian entities
Geotechnical Site Investigation	Yes	No	
Tree Clearing	Yes	No	
Clearing and Grubbing	Yes	No	
Concrete batch plant Establishment and operation i/trucks	Yes	No	
Supply and Installation of Synchronous Condensers	Yes	Yes	

Supply Single Phase Power Transformer 500_330kV	Yes	Yes
Supply Shunt reactor 330kV/30kV	Yes	Yes
Supply Surge Arrestors	Yes	Yes
Supply Harmonic Filters	Yes	No
Supply Auxiliary Transformers	Yes	No
Supply PVT,CT,VT	Yes	Yes
Supply Disconnectors	Yes	Yes
Supply Circuit Breakers	Yes	Yes
Supply and Commission Battery and Battery Charges	Yes	No
Supply and Installation of Control and Communications Pre-fabricated Building	Yes	No
Supply LV Switchboards & Distribution Boards	Yes	No
Supply Post Insulators	Yes	Yes
Supply Busbars	Yes	No
Supply Protection Relays	Yes	Yes
M PLS and Telephony Equipment	Yes	Yes
Supply Power Cables & Earthing Cables & Control Cables	Yes	Yes
Grid Automation Integrator	Yes	No
Design, Supply, Install and Commission Microwave Equipment	Yes	Yes
Supply, develop and commission Energy Management System (SCADA)	Yes	No
Camp installation, lease and demobilisation, Install must include: WAP points (i Camp Supply only from China for Self-Perform Installations	Yes Yes	No No
Camp Operations and Management	Yes	No
Logistics - International Goods Handling	Yes	No
Gantry Steel and Support Structures	Yes	No
Supply of Steel Towers and Monopoles - Overseas Suppliers	Yes	Yes
Supply of Balance of Steel Materials	Yes	No
Supply of Machines and Equipment for tower and conductor installations	Yes	Yes
Supply of cable fittings	Yes	Yes
Installation of tower Piling Works	Yes	No
Installation of tower Earthing	Yes	No
Pre-assembly, Installation/ Erection of Towers	Yes	No
Installation of Power Transmission Lines	Yes	No
Orange ACSR/GZ	Yes	Yes
Grape ACSR/GZ	Yes	Yes
OPGW 72 fibres core 265 (kA)2sec	Yes	Yes
Olive ACSR/GZ	Yes	Yes
Glass insulators	Yes	Yes
Supply Protection Relays	Yes	Yes

*An Australian entity is an entity with an ABN or ACN

Project standards:

Australian
International

Supplier information and communication

Project proponent's contact person for supplier enquiries:

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Project proponent website: <https://www.acerez.com.au>

Project opportunities website:

<https://gateway.icn.org.au/projects/7924/pg-7924>

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
- Develop and distribute a supplier information guide for the project
- Directly contact suppliers with information on project opportunities and bid processes

Building Australian industry capability

Supplier capability development actions:

- Recommend suppliers undertake training and/or accreditation
- Encourage joint ventures and alliances between suppliers
- Develop case studies

Global supply chain integration actions:

- Introduce suppliers to global supply chain partners

Feedback:

The project proponent will ensure that its procurement entities offer, and if requested, provide feedback to Australian entities whose bids to supply key goods or services for the project have not been successful. Feedback will include recommendations about any relevant training, skills capability and capacity development.

Australian Industry Participation Plan Summary - Operations Phase

Nominated facility operator: ACEREZ Partnership

Facility details

Name: Central-West Orana Renewable Energy Zone Network Infrastructure

Location: Central-West Orana Region of 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
Specialist Electrical testing and Service	Yes	No	
Vegetation Management	Yes	No	
Roads and Access track Management	Yes	No	
Specialist Engineering Support	Yes	Yes	
Spare Parts and Materials	Yes	Yes	
Vehicles	Yes	No	
Specialist HV/Transmission Services	Yes	No	
P,I & C Services	Yes	No	

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Facility standards:

- Australian
- International

Supplier information and communication

Facility operator's contact person for supplier enquiries:

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Facility operator website: <https://www.acerez.com.au>

Facility opportunities website: ACEREZ will publish available opportunities to supply key goods and services for the project via ACCIONA PROCU R-e https://accionaprocurer.bravosolution.com/web_en/login.html and Industry Capability Network Gateway <https://gateway.icn.org.au/project/7924/central-west-orana-renewable-energy-zone-rez>

Supplier engagement and communication actions :

- Promote project opportunities through industry associations
- Engage with vendor identification agencies on project opportunities and bid processes
- Conduct supplier information briefings on project opportunities and bid processes
- Directly contact suppliers with information on project opportunities and bid processes

Building Australian industry capability

Supplier capability development actions:

- Recommend suppliers undertake training and/or accreditation
- Encourage joint ventures and alliances between suppliers
- Develop case studies

Global supply chain integration actions:

- Facilitate strategic partnering and joint ventures between Australian and international suppliers
- Leverage global ACEREZ consortium members
- Transfer new product and process technology to suppliers to help them master new technologies

Feedback:

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