



Australian Jobs Act 2013

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Australian Industry Participation Plan Summary – Project Phase

Nominated project proponent:

Queensland Electricity Transmission Corporation Limited

Project details

Project name:

System Strength Project

Location:

Central Queensland

Type:

Electricity facility

Purpose:

Establish new facility

Capital expenditure:

\$500 million - \$1 billion

Description:

The System Strength Project is delivered by Powerlink Queensland to maintain system strength services across Queensland's transmission network in accordance with the National Electricity Rules. The project currently involves the installation of four synchronous condensers at three substations in Central Queensland, including Nebo Substation, Stanwell Substation and two synchronous condensers at Calliope River Substation in Gladstone. Additional future synchronous condenser installations may also form part of the broader program, subject to network requirements, regulatory approvals and investment decisions. Key infrastructure includes synchronous condensers, sheds with lightning masts, control rooms, transformers, generators, outdoor coolers and associated civil, electrical and Balance of Plant infrastructure. In March 2026, Powerlink signed an agreement with Hitachi Energy for the supply and installation of the synchronous condenser equipment. The project is being delivered through OEM supply arrangements and separately procured design, construction and BOP works delivered by principal contractors and subcontractors. Procurement activities commenced in 2026, with further procurement and construction activities expected from 2026 onwards, subject to regulatory approvals, funding approvals and Final Investment Decision. The currently identified synchronous condensers are planned to be operational by 2029. Powerlink is using a coordinated, program-level approach across its Central Queensland projects to maximise opportunities for local and Indigenous businesses.

Estimated completion date:

1/09/2029

Key goods and services

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

List of key goods and services:

An Australian entity is an entity with an ABN or CAN.

Key goods and services	Opportunity for entities	Explanation for no opportunities for Australian entities
Site studies including Geotech, hydrology, survey	Opportunities for Australian entities	
Clearing works	Opportunities for Australian entities	
Removal of topsoil	Opportunities for Australian entities	
Establish site pad, including subgrade, finish grade, surface aggregate	Opportunities for Australian entities	
Installation of earth grid	Opportunities for Australian entities	
Civil foundations for 75kV Transformer Synchronous Condenser machine hall, including the sync con pad, Aux transformer Switch room / control room / amenities building / storage she	Opportunities for Australian entities	
Site access road	Opportunities for Australian entities	
Internal site roads	Opportunities for Australian entities	
Supply install Synchronous condenser machine hall	Opportunities for Australian entities	
Supply install amenities building and storage shed	Opportunities for Australian entities	
Fencing	Opportunities for Australian entities	
Lighting	Opportunities for Australian entities	
Lightning protection	Opportunities for Australian entities	
Construction offices and prepare laydown area	Opportunities for Australian entities	
Design and Construction of Synchronous Condenser Yard at 4 Sites (Balance of Plant)	Opportunities for Australian entities	
Design, manufacture, supply and install synchronous condensers	Opportunities for Australian entities Opportunities for non-Australian entities	

Project standards:

Australian, International

Supplier information and communication

Project Proponents Contact Person

Project proponent's contact person for supplier enquires.

Contact person's name:

Samantha Scandlyn

Contact person's position:

Local Economic Participation Specialist

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Project Proponent Website

Project proponent website:

<https://www.powerlink.com.au/projects/calliope-river-synchronous-condensers>

Project Opportunities Website

List of websites:

Is this website active?	Is this website active?	Date the website is expected to go live:
https://gateway.icn.org.au/projects/13600	Yes	
https://www.powerlink.com.au/projects/nebo-synchronous-condenser	Yes	
https://www.powerlink.com.au/projects/stanwell-synchronous-condenser	Yes	

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
 Develop and distribute a supplier information guide for the project

Building Australian industry capability

Supplier capability development actions:

Encourage joint ventures and alliances between suppliers
Support supplier development initiatives of industry associations or governments

Global supply chain integration actions:

Introduce suppliers to global supply chain partners

Feedback:

Confirm you, and/or your procurement entities will offer and, if requested, provide feedback to unsuccessful Australian entities whose bids to supply key goods or services for the project have not been successful
Confirm feedback provided to unsuccessful bidders will include any recommendations of relevant training, skills, capability and capacity development
Confirm you will collect written evidence of feedback offered or provided to unsuccessful bidders

Australian Industry Participation Plan Summary – Operations Phase

Nominated facility operator:

QUEENSLAND ELECTRICITY TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

Facility details

Facility name:

System Strength Project

Location:

Central Queensland

Type:

Electricity facility

Key goods and services

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

List of key goods and services:

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Key goods and services	Opportunity for entities	Explanation for no opportunities for Australian entities
Site studies, including Geotech, hydrology, survey	Opportunities for Australian entities	
Clearing works	Opportunities for Australian entities	
Removal of topsoil	Opportunities for Australian entities	
Establish site pad, subgrade, finish grade, surface aggregate	Opportunities for Australian entities	
Installation of earth grid	Opportunities for Australian entities	
Civil foundations for 275kV Transformer Synchronous Condenser machine hall, including the sync con pad Aux transformer Switch room / control room / amenities building / storage shed	Opportunities for Australian entities	
Site access road	Opportunities for Australian entities	
Internal site roads	Opportunities for Australian entities	
Supply install Synchronous condenser machine hall	Opportunities for Australian entities	

Supply install amenities building and storage shed	Opportunities for Australian entities	
Fencing	Opportunities for Australian entities	
lighting	Opportunities for Australian entities	
Lightning protection	Opportunities for Australian entities	
Construction offices and prepare laydown area	Opportunities for Australian entities	
Design and Construction of Synchronous Condenser Yard at 4 Sites (Balance of Plant)	Opportunities for Australian entities	
Design, manufacture and install Synchronous Condensers	Opportunities for Australian entities Opportunities for non-Australian entities	

Facility standards:

Australian, International

Supplier information and communication

Facility operators Contact Person

Facility operators contact person for supplier enquires.

Contact person's name:

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Contact person's position:

Delivery Launch Director

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Facility Operator Website

Facility operator website:

<https://www.powerlink.com.au/projects>

Facility Opportunities Website

List of websites:

Website address (URL only)	Is this website active?	Date the website is expected to go live:
https://www.powerlink.com.au/projects/stanwell-synchronous-condenser	Yes	
https://www.powerlink.com.au/projects/calliope-river-synchronous-condensers	Yes	
https://www.powerlink.com.au/projects/nebo-synchronous-condenser	Yes	
https://gateway.icn.org.au/projects/13600	Yes	

Supplier engagement and communication actions:

Promote new facility opportunities through industry associations
 Conduct supplier information briefings on new facility opportunities and bid processes
 Develop and distribute a supplier information guide for the new facility

Building Australian industry capability

Supplier capability development actions:

Encourage joint ventures and alliances between suppliers
Support supplier development initiatives of industry associations or governments

Global supply chain integration actions:

Introduce suppliers to global supply chain partners

Feedback:

Confirm feedback provided to unsuccessful bidders will include any recommendations of relevant training, skills, capability and capacity development
Confirm you will collect written evidence of feedback offered or provided to unsuccessful bidders
Confirm you, and/or your procurement entities will offer and, if requested, provide feedback to unsuccessful Australian entities whose bids to supply key goods or services for the new facility have not been successful