



THE SENATE

**ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**Offshore Electricity Infrastructure Bill 2021 and Offshore Electricity Infrastructure  
(Regulatory Levies) Bill 2021**

**PUBLIC HEARING  
Friday 1 October 2021**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Witness</b>
9.00 am	<p><b>Star of the South</b> (<i>Submission 31</i>) Mr Casper Thorhauge, CEO Mr Matthew Stuchbery, Head of Regulatory Affairs Ms Erin Coldham, Chief Development Officer</p> <p><b>Sun Cable</b> (<i>Submission 16</i>) Mr David Griffin, CEO Ms Georgie Skipper, Chief of Corporate and Government Affairs</p> <p><b>Oceanex Energy Pty Ltd</b> (<i>Submission 7</i>) Mr Andy Evans, CEO</p> <p><b>Macquarie Group Ltd</b> (<i>Submission 27</i>) Mr Anthony Lamb, Head of Offshore Wind Projects, Asia Pacific</p>
10.15 am	<p><b>Clean Energy Council</b> (<i>Submission 22</i>) Ms Lucinda Tonge, Policy Officer</p> <p><b>Smart Energy Council (no submission)</b> Mr Steve Blume, President Ms Taryn Lane, Director</p>
<b>10.55 am</b>	<b>Morning tea</b>
11.05 am	<p><b>Beyond Zero Emissions (no submission)</b> Mr Tom Quinn, Head of Policy and Research</p> <p><b>Blue Economy Cooperative Research Centre</b> (<i>Submission 4</i>) Dr John Whittington, CEO Professor Irene Penesis, Research Director</p>
11.45 am	<p><b>Friends of the Earth Australia</b> (<i>Submission 23</i>) Mr Patrick Simons, Yes2 Renewables Community Coordinator</p>
<b>12.15 pm</b>	<b>Lunch</b>

12.45 pm	<p><b>Electrical Trades Union and Maritime Union of Australia</b> (<i>Submission 30</i>) Mr Glenn Williams, National Vice-President and Newcastle Branch Secretary, MUA Mr Trevor Gauld, National Policy Officer Ms Penny Howard, National Research Officer, MUA</p> <p><b>Australian Council of Trade Unions</b> (<i>Submission 33</i>) Mr Liam O'Brien, Assistant Secretary Mr Mark Wakeham, Senior Advisor, Climate, Energy and Just Transitions</p>
1.30 pm	<p><b>Regional Development Australia (RDA) Gippsland Committee and the Gippsland Regional Partnership</b> (<i>Submission 12</i>) Mr Richard Elkington, Chair Mrs Michelle Dowsett, Acting Deputy Chair</p> <p><b>Voices of the Valley</b> (<i>Submission 5</i>) Mrs Wendy Farmer, President Ms Marianne Robinson, Secretary</p> <p><b>Wellington Shire Council</b> (<i>Submission 6</i>) Mr Brent McAlister, General Manager Development Ms Kate Foster, Manager Economic Development</p> <p><b>Hunter Jobs Alliance</b> (<i>Submission 17</i>) Mr Warrick Jordan, Coordinator</p>
2.30 pm	<p><b>Basslink Pty Ltd</b> Mr Joska Ferencz, Chief Operating Officer</p>
3.15 pm	<i>Afternoon tea</i>
3.30 pm	<p><b>Department of Industry, Science, Energy and Resources</b> (<i>Submission 13</i>) Ms Kushla Munro, Head of Division, International Climate and Technology Division Mr Paul Murphy, General Manager, Clean Technology Division Mr Graeme Waters, Titles Administrator</p> <p><b>Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications (no submission)</b> Ms Maree Bridger, First Assistant Secretary, Surface Transport Policy Division Mr David Stephens, Director, Maritime Environment and Trade, Surface Transport Policy Division</p> <p><b>National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environmental Management Authority</b> Mr Stuart Smith, CEO Mr Owen Wilson, Project Lead - Offshore Energy</p> <p><b>Attorney-General's Department</b> Mr Adrian Breen, Assistant Secretary, Safety, Compensation and Institutions Branch</p>
5.00 pm	<i>Adjournment</i>