



**ELECTRICITY INDUSTRY ACT 2000  
APPLICATION FOR ELECTRICITY GENERATION AND SALE LICENCE**

**Kerang Solar Plant Pty Ltd  
ACN 607 331 117**

**RECORD OF DECISION**

**1 November 2024**

## **SUMMARY**

Pursuant to the provisions of section 19(1) of the Electricity Industry Act 2000 (Vic) (EI Act) the Essential Services Commission (the commission) has granted Kerang Solar Plant Pty Ltd (ACN 607 331 117) a licence to generate electricity for supply or sale, at the Kerang Solar Plant located in Kerang, Victoria with a capacity of 37.8MW, and to sell the generated electricity through the wholesale electricity market.

## **BACKGROUND**

Section 16(1) of the EI Act provides that a person must not engage in the generation of electricity for supply or sale or the transmission, distribution, supply or sale of electricity unless the person:

- (a) is the holder of a licence authorising the relevant activity;
- (b) is exempted from the requirement to obtain a licence in respect of the relevant activity; or
- (c) is the holder of a trial waiver in respect of the relevant activity.

Section 18(1) of the EI Act provides that a person may apply to the commission for a licence authorising the person to generate electricity for supply or sale and to sell electricity (under subsections (1)(a) and (d)).

On 6 June 2024, Kerang Solar Plant Pty Ltd applied to the commission for a licence authorising it to generate electricity for supply or sale, and to sell electricity to the wholesale electricity market.

Consistent with the requirements of the commission's electricity generation licence application form and 'Guideline: Applications for electricity and gas industry licences', Kerang Solar Plant Pty Ltd provided the commission with necessary documentation supporting the application.

On 27 August 2024, the commission published a copy of the application, and invited interested parties to make submissions in respect of the application. The commission did not receive any submissions regarding the application.

## **CONSIDERATION OF THE APPLICATION**

Section 19(1) of the EI Act provides that the commission may grant or refuse the application for any reason it considers appropriate, having regard to the objectives of the commission under the provisions of the EI Act and the Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic) (Commission Act).

## **DECISION**

The commission is satisfied that:

- Kerang Solar Plant Pty Ltd has the technical capacity to comply with the conditions of the licence to be granted; and
- Kerang Solar Plant Pty Ltd is a fit and proper person to hold a licence to generate electricity for supply or sale, and to sell the generated electricity through the wholesale electricity market.

In accordance with Section 19(1) of the EI Act, and having regard to its objectives under the Commission Act and the EI Act, the commission has decided to grant Kerang Solar Plant Pty Ltd a licence to generate electricity for supply or sale. The authorisation granted by the licence is limited to the generation of electricity at the Kerang Solar Plant located in the vicinity of Kerang, VIC 3579, and the sale of electricity generated by this facility through the wholesale electricity market.

**THE COMMON SEAL  
of the ESSENTIAL  
SERVICES COMMISSION**  
was affixed pursuant to the  
authority of the commission  
on 11 November 2024

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Gerard Brody  
**Chairperson**