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## **POTENTIA ENERGY'S 1 GW TALLAWANG SOLAR HYBRID RENEWABLE PROJECT AWARDED ACCESS RIGHTS**

Potentia Energy's proposed Tallawang Solar Hybrid project has secured access rights in the Central-West Orana Renewable Energy Zone (REZ).

The Tallawang project includes a 500 MW solar farm, a 500 MW/1000 MWh energy storage system and associated infrastructure.

The proposed project will be constructed on a 1,300-hectare site, approximately 8km north-west of Gulgong.

Potentia Energy CEO Werther Esposito said being granted access rights was a critical step in the proposed project.

"Renewable Energy Zones are set to be the beating heart of Australia's transition to renewable energy and we're delighted to be a part of that," Mr Esposito said.

"This project provides the clean generation and storage that Australia needs and is a perfect complement to our growing portfolio of assets across the country.

"It is the latest demonstration of our commitment to Australia's transition toward a clean energy future as well as a vote of confidence in the value of renewable energy zones."

A key focus throughout the development phase is a proactive and comprehensive approach to community engagement and benefit sharing for the local community and broader regional community within the CWO REZ.

Potentia Energy will now continue to progress a range of development activities including further project design work, planning approvals, grid assessments and procurement activities.

Mr Esposito said: "We look forward to continuing to work closely with the local community, our host landowners and project partners to deliver Tallawang in a way that genuinely maximises long-term benefits for the region—through jobs, local investment, and shared opportunities.

“Our goal is to thoughtfully minimise potential impacts on the environment and surrounding communities wherever possible.

”The construction phase of the project is expected to have significant economic benefits for the region over an expected 3-year construction period.”

The NSW Government has announced it will commence construction of the CWO REZ transmission project within months after the recent achievement of financial close.

The transmission project will establish critical infrastructure for the region, that will connect the Tallawang project, other solar, wind farms and energy storage to the NSW electricity grid, enabling the delivery of a reliable, affordable energy system that benefits communities and the economy.

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#### **About Potentia Energy**

Potentia Energy (previously Enel Green Power Australia) is a joint venture entity co-owned by Enel Green Power and INPEX. Potentia Energy is currently operating over 800 megawatts (MW) of renewable energy assets across Australia, with construction underway on a further 200 MW of capacity. Potentia Energy has rights secured for a development pipeline of over 8 GW across Australia and is committed to an ambitious growth agenda, targeting a significant increase to its installed capacity across wind, solar, storage and hybrid projects across Australia. Potentia Energy is committed to accelerating Australia's energy transition, driving the potential for a sustainable future.

#### **About Enel Green Power**

Enel Green Power, within the Enel Group, develops and operates renewable energy plants worldwide and has a presence in Europe, the Americas, Africa, Asia and Oceania. A world leader in clean energy, with a total capacity of around 66 GW and a generation mix that includes wind, solar, geothermal, and hydroelectric power, as well as energy storage facilities. Enel Green Power is at the forefront of integrating innovative technologies into renewable energy plants.

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