Net Zero Emissions and Clean Economy Board

Meeting minutes – Stakeholder Roundtable Session 29 August 2023



Details

Meeting:	Net Zero Emissions and Clean Economy Board Stakeholder Roundtable Session
Location:	Room 09, Level 29, 4 Parramatta Square, 12 Darcy St, Parramatta NSW 2150
Date/time:	29 August 2023
	1:30pm – 3:30pm
Chairperson:	Ms Judy Slatyer

Secretariat and Departmental attendees

Andrew Lewis, A/Deputy Secretary, Energy Climate Change & Sustainability

Cristien Hickey, A/Executive Director, Climate Change & Sustainability

Phoebe Colman, A/Director, Climate Change & Sustainability Policy

Bec Watson, Secretariat, Climate Change & Sustainability Policy

Linda Nicolson, A/ Executive Officer, Climate Change & Sustainability Policy

Board members

- 1. Chairperson: Ms Judy Slatyer
- 2. Deputy Chair: Professor Hugh Durrant-Whyte, Chief Scientist and Engineer
- 3. Ms Katerina Kimmorley
- 4. Mr Peter Warne
- 5. Ms Meg McDonald
- 6. Dr Martin Parkinson
- 7. Mr John Lydon

Stakeholder attendees

Guy Chalkley, Chief Executive Officer, Endeavor Energy

Scott Ryan, Chief Safety, Asset & Operating Officer, Endeavor Energy

Shaun Reardon, Executive General Manager, Jemena Networks, Jemena

Tania Coltman, Manager Policy & Government Relations Manager, Jemena

Roger Attwater, Senior Manager, Environmental Sustainability, Western Sydney University

Charles Casuscelli, Chief Executive Officer, WSROC

Amanda Bombaci, Regional Waste Coordinator, WSROC

Nic Pasternatsky, Manager of Governance and Procurement, WSROC

Minutes

1. Agenda Item 1 – Welcome and Introduction

- 1.1 The Board and stakeholders acknowledged the First Nation custodians of the lands on which the meeting took place.
- 1.2 The Board and stakeholders were introduced.
- 1.3 The Chair provided an overview on the purpose of the session.

2. Agenda Item 2 – Stakeholder briefings

2.1 Stakeholders provides a short briefing on their organisation's current and planned projects and programs to decarbonise and reach net zero targets.

2.1.1 Western Sydney University provided an update on their net zero targets and their carbon transition and electrification plan. Western Sydney University are focusing on scope one, two, and three emissions, are assisting the development of green jobs through micro credentials, and have several partnerships, including Sydney Water and Hawkesbury Councils.

2.1.2 Endeavour Energy provided an update on their journey to net zero and current sustainability strategies. Endeavour Energy also discussed the challenges of decarbonising the electricity distribution network.

2.1.3 Western Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (WSROC) provided an overview of their programs to assist councils and communities in reaching net zero and adapting to the effects of climate change. WSROC also discussed challenges being faced.

2.1.4 Jemena discussed the role of renewable gas within the net zero targets, highlighting their biomethane plant project in Malabar.

3. Agenda Item 3 – Roundtable Discussion

3.1 The Board and stakeholders discussed the role of government in assisting the state to reach the net zero targets.

4. Agenda Item 4 – Summary and Close

4.1 The Board Chair provided a summary of the discussion, thanked the stakeholders for attending, and closed the meeting.