

# OPTIONS EVALUATION REPORT (OER)



Maintain Voltage in Beryl area

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0	3/11/2016	Initial Issue
1	13/12/2016	Clarified risk cost breakdown
2	06/08/2021	Updated as per the latest information
3	6/10/2021	Houston Kemp comments addressed
4	12/11/2021	Cutler Merz's comments addressed
5	12/11/2021	Updated Unserved Energy Calculation
6	24/12/2022	Cutler Merz's comments addressed

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## Executive summary

Beryl is located in the Central-West Orana region of NSW. Load in the area supplied from Beryl BSP is forecast to steadily increase to 90 MW summer peak and 87 MW winter peak in 2030, as per the latest 10 year forecast.

TransGrid have identified under-voltage constraints and reactive margin shortfalls in the Beryl area for a contingent outage of 132 kV line 94B<sup>1</sup> from Wellington BPS to Beryl BSP, particularly when the renewable generation in the area is not dispatched.

The National Electricity Rules (NER) require TransGrid to operate the transmission network within defined voltage limits and to satisfy reactive margin requirements, both in normal operation and following any credible contingency event. These limits will not be met at Beryl 132/66 kV Substation/Bulk Supply Point for a contingent outage of the Wellington to Beryl 132 kV line, 94B<sup>2</sup>.

Failure to resolve these constraints will result in unserved energy, due to the interruption of supply to loads in the area under N-1 contingency conditions, and the need to avoid voltage collapse in the local 132 kV network.

To address these issues and remain compliant with NER requirements, without causing unacceptable loss of supply to customers, it will be necessary to augment TransGrid's transmission network in the Beryl area. If no action is taken, the amount of unserved energy for Beryl customers (calculated as pre-contingent load shedding including output of renewable generation in the area), is forecast to increase approximately eight-fold from 2021 to 2030.

The assessment of the options considered to address this compliance need are given in the Table 1. All options evaluated result in high weighted Net Present Value (NPV) outcomes by consequence of large potential unserved energy costs in the central and higher-bound scenarios.

**Table 1 - Evaluated options**

Option	Description	Direct capital cost (\$m)	Network and corporate overheads (\$m)	Total capital cost <sup>3</sup> (\$m)	Weighted NPV (PV, \$m)	Rank
Option A	Install a synchronous condenser of 30 MVA at Beryl (132 kV)	19.9	0.8	20.7	308	1
Option B	Establish a new 330/132 kV substation supplied via a cut-in to Line 79, and a new 132 kV transmission line from the new substation to Beryl 132/66 kV Substation	46.3	3.9	50.2	274	4
Option C	Battery Storage (18 MW/36 MWh) at Beryl Substation (132 kV)	50.5	1.5	52	278	3

<sup>1</sup> The latest 2021 TAPR Beryl winter and summer demand forecasts were considered in the calculations.

<sup>2</sup> The details are provided in Need section of this document.

<sup>3</sup> Total capital cost is the sum of the direct capital cost and network and corporate overheads. Total capital cost is used in this OER for all analysis.

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Option	Description	Direct capital cost (\$m)	Network and corporate overheads (\$m)	Total capital cost <sup>3</sup> (\$m)	Weighted NPV (PV, \$m)	Rank
Option D	Duplication of the 132 kV Line 94B, Wellington to Beryl	71	3	74	259	5
Option E	Install a 132 kV STATCOM at Beryl 132/66 kV substation, with a capability range of +30 MVAR to -5 MVAR	19.2	0.8	20	303	2

Options considered but not progressed and not evaluated are detailed in section 3.2.

The preferred option is Option A, as it meets the requirements of the need, is technically and commercially feasible<sup>4</sup>, and has the highest Net Present Value (NPV).

## 1. Need/opportunity

Beryl is located in the Central-West Orana region of NSW. Load in the area supplied from Beryl BSP is forecast to steadily increase to 90MW summer peak and 87MW winter peak in 2030, as per the latest 10 year forecast. Clause S5.1a.4 of the NER requires TransGrid to plan and design equipment for voltage control of its network to maintain voltage levels within 10 per cent of nominal voltage.<sup>5</sup> The power system must be operated in a satisfactory operating state, which requires voltages to be maintained within these levels, both in normal operation and following any credible contingency event<sup>6</sup>.

Further, Clause S5.1.8 of the NER requires reactive power margin at any connection point to be not less than 1% of the maximum fault level (in MVA) at the connection point.

Power system studies have presently identified under-voltage constraints and reactive margin shortfalls in the Beryl area for a contingent outage of line 94B<sup>7</sup>, particularly when the renewable generation in the area is not dispatched<sup>8</sup>. Under these conditions, interruptions of supply would be required to manage the emergence of voltage limits and reactive margin shortfalls being reached, and to avoid voltage collapse in the local 132 kV supply network.

To address this compliance need, augmentation of the transmission network in the area is required in order to avoid disruption to customers in the Beryl area and unserved energy during interruption of supply to loads in the area under (N-1) contingency conditions.

Without action, the amount of unserved energy for Beryl customers is forecast to rise steadily from 11 MWh currently to around 82 MWh by 2030.

Unserved energy is calculated including output of Wind Farm renewable generation in the area, which is Crudine Ridge wind farm but excluding Bodangora wind farm as it is disconnected on the critical outage of 94B. Solar

<sup>4</sup> Option A is higher in cost than Option E, but takes three years to build vs four years for Option E. This brings Option A to ranking 1, based on weighted NPV in economic analysis model.

<sup>5</sup> These levels are specified in Clause S5.1a.4.

<sup>6</sup> These requirements are set out in Clauses 4.2.6, 4.2.4 and 4.2.2(b) of the NER. The requirement for secure operation of the power system in Clause 4.2.4 requires the power system to be in a satisfactory operating state following any credible contingency event, that is, to maintain voltage within 10 per cent of normal voltage following the first credible contingency event.

<sup>7</sup> The latest 2021 TAPR Beryl winter and summer demand forecasts were considered in the calculations.

<sup>8</sup> Beryl Area Constraints – Feasibility Study – March 2021, TransGrid

Farms in the area are excluded from the calculation as the peak load happens between 5pm and 7pm, when solar output in summer or in winter is low to none.

## 2. Related needs/opportunities

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- > 1942 – Increase capacity for generation in Beryl area

The output of existing and future renewable generation in the Beryl area may be constrained due to the network capacity limitations in the area. This Need investigates the network development options to increase capacity for generation in the Beryl area, which would result in market and economic benefits.

## 3. Options

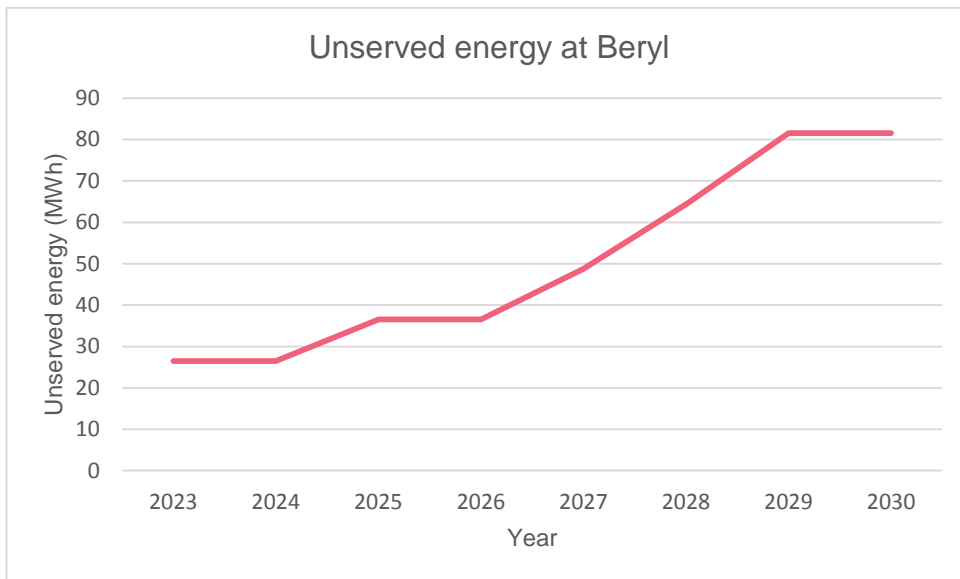
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### 3.1 Base case

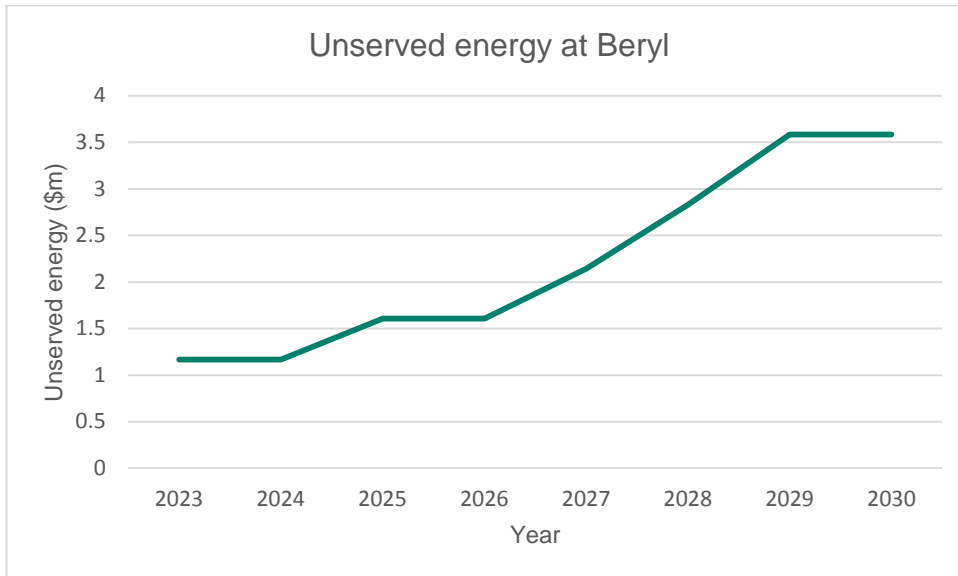
The base case for this project is that there is no augmentation of the transmission network in Beryl area. This will result in the forecast load at Beryl 66 kV BSP causing under voltage conditions of less than 0.9 pu, for a contingent outage of 132 kV line 94B, assuming no renewable generation in the area is dispatched.

In order to operate the network such that compliance with regulatory limits for voltage levels are maintained, TransGrid will be required to shed loads in some situations. The base case assumes that load is shed to avoid non-compliance with the voltage level requirements of the NER.

Unserviced energy within latest forecast period, if no action is taken, is shown in Figure 1 below:



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**Figure 1 – Unserviced energy for base case scenario in MWh and \$m**

### 3.2 Options evaluated

#### Option A — New synchronous condenser of 30 MVA at Beryl (132 kV)

This option requires the installation of a new 30 MVA synchronous condenser, connected to the 132 kV busbar at Beryl 132/66 kV Substation.

The aim of this installation is to utilise the dynamic reactive power support from the synchronous condenser (up to 30 MVAR) to alleviate the under voltage constraints identified.

Apart from addressing the identified Need, a synchronous condenser will also help to improve the system strength of the network in the area, which would be beneficial for the present and expected inverter-based renewable connections to the local network.

The works required for Option A are detailed in Option Feasibility Study (OFS) and include:

- > installation of a new 132/11 kV transformer (assume 30 MVA);
- > installation of a new 11 kV/415 V auxiliary transformer;
- > installation of a new 30 MVA synchronous condenser and associated secondary systems;
- > installation of a new control building with associated control and protection panels and LV switchgear;
- > extension of an existing switchyard bench;
- > installation of a new 132 kV switchbay and secondary systems;
- > installation of a new spill oil tank;
- > upgrade of an auxiliary transformer; and
- > modification of existing protection scheme.

The expected commissioning date for this option is 2026/27.

The estimates shown in the Table 2 have an uncertainty of  $\pm 25\%$  and exclude capitalised interest.

**Table 2 – Option A expected expenditure**

	Total Project Base Cost (\$M)	FY2024/25 (\$M)	FY2025/26 (\$M)	FY2026/27 (\$M)
Estimated P50 Cost non-escalated (\$2020-21)	20.67	1.39	6.60	12.68

It is estimated that an amount up to \$2 million (already included in total cost) is required to progress the project from Decision Gate 1 (DG1) to DG2. This is to cover activities such as site visits, development of concept design, and commencement of project approvals and early procurement of long lead-time items.

This project is expected to be completed in an estimated 36 months, following the approval of Decision Gate 1 (DG1).

**Option B — New Beryl 330/132 kV substation**

The scope of works for this option includes:

- > Establish a new Beryl 330/132 kV Substation, with a single 330/132 kV transformer (indicative size - 375 MVA);
- > Provide a 330 kV connection to the proposed Beryl 330/132 kV Substation, via a cut-in to line 79 in the area;
- > Construct a new short 132 kV transmission line from new Beryl Substation to the existing Beryl 132/66 kV Substation. This will require a new 132 kV bay at the existing Beryl 132/66 kV Substation, to facilitate the line connection.

In addition to addressing the identified Need, this option will also improve the network capacity and system strength in the Beryl area, due to establishment of a new 330 kV supply point.

The works required for Option B are detailed in OFS-1316B Rev 0.

The expected commissioning date for this option is 2028/29.

The estimates in the Table 3 have an uncertainty of ± 25% and exclude capitalised interest.

**Table 3 – Option B expected expenditure**

	Total Project Cost (\$M)	FY2024/25 (\$M)	FY2025/26 (\$M)	FY2026/27 (\$M)	FY2027/28 (\$M)	FY2028/29 (\$M)
Estimated P50 Cost non-escalated (\$2020-21)	50.14	0.48	2.33	7.24	33.44	6.65

It is estimated that an amount up to \$4 million (already included in total project cost) is required to progress the project from Decision Gate 1 (DG1) to DG2. This is to cover activities such as site visits, development of concept design, and commencement of project approvals and early procurement of long lead-time items.

This project is expected to be completed in an estimated 52 months, following the approval of DG1.

**Option C — Battery Storage (18 MW/36 MWh) at Beryl Substation (132 kV)**

This option is to install a new 18 MW (36 MWh) Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) at the Beryl 132 kV BSP.

The BESS is capable of providing MW output and also MVar output, which can provide dynamic reactive support during system disturbances. Considering the number of inverter-based generators in the vicinity of Beryl substation and relatively low system strength in the area, a BESS with grid forming inverter technology is likely to be required.

The scope of works for this option includes:

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- > extension of existing bus section;
- > installation of a new 132kV transformer and associated switchbay;
- > installation of a new BESS secondary system building; and
- > associated secondary system equipment.

The expected commissioning date for this option is 2028/29.

The estimates in the Table 4 have an uncertainty of  $\pm 25\%$  and exclude capitalised interest.

**Table 4 – Option C expected expenditure**

	Total Project Cost (\$M)	FY2024/25 (\$M)	FY2025/26 (\$M)	FY2027/28 (\$M)	FY2028/29 (\$M)
Estimated P50 Cost non-escalated (\$2020-21)	51.97	0.65	4.26	34.35	12.71

It is estimated that an amount up to \$4M (already included in total project cost) is required to progress the project from Decision Gate (DG1) to DG2. This is to cover activities such as site visits, development of concept design, and commencement of project approvals and early procurement of long lead-time items.

This project is expected to be completed in an estimated 41 months, following the approval of DG1.

**Option D — Duplication of 94B Wellington to Beryl 132 kV Line**

The scope of works for this option includes:

- > Establish a new 132 kV bay at Beryl 132/66 kV Substation and a new 132 kV bay at Wellington 330/132 kV Substation,
- > Build a new 132 kV single circuit line, adjacent to line 94B, between Beryl and Wellington.

The existing line 94B is approximately 51 km long. Duplication of this line is expected to have significant environmental and community impact and significantly higher property and line easement acquisition risks, compared to other options.

The works required for Option D are detailed in OFS-1316D Rev 0.

The expected commissioning date for this option is 2030/31.

The estimates in the Table 5 have an uncertainty of  $\pm 25\%$  and exclude capitalised interest.

**Table 5 – Option D expected expenditure**

	Total Project Cost (\$M)	FY2026/27 (\$M)	FY2027/28 (\$M)	FY2028/29 (\$M)	FY2029/30 (\$M)	FY2030/31 (\$M)
Estimated P50 Cost non-escalated (\$2020-21)	74.00	0.72	1.70	4.87	11.78	54.93

It is estimated that an amount up to \$2 million (already included in total project cost) is required to progress the project from Decision Gate 1 (DG1) to DG2. This is to cover activities such as site visits, development of concept design, and commencement of project approvals and early procurement of long lead-time items.

This project is expected to be completed in an estimated 44 months, following the approval of DG1.

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**Option E — New 132 kV STATCOM (range +30 MVAR, -5 MVAR) at Beryl 132/66 kV Substation**

This option involves installation of a STATCOM with a range of +30 MVAR to -5 MVAR, to provide dynamic reactive power support during system disturbances. Considering the number of inverter-based generators in the vicinity of Beryl substation and relatively low system strength in the area, a STATCOM with grid forming inverter technology will be required.

The scope of works for this option includes:

- > extension of existing switchyard bench and existing bus section to accommodate new STATCOM switchbay;
- > installation of a new 132 kV transformer switchbay and associated secondary systems; and
- > installation of new 132/33 kV transformer and new spill oil tank and modification of existing protection schemes.

The expected commissioning date for this option is 2027/28.

The estimates in the Table 6 have an uncertainty of ± 25% and exclude capitalised interest.

**Table 6 – Option E expected expenditure**

	Total Project Cost (\$M)	FY2024/25 (\$M)	FY2025/26 (\$M)	FY2026/27 (\$M)	FY2027/28 (\$M)
Estimated P50 Cost non-escalated (\$2020-21)	20.00	0.32	2.48	16.93	0.27

It is estimated that an amount up to \$2 million (already included in total project cost) is required to progress the project from decision gate 1 (DG1) to DG2. This is to cover activities such as site visits, development of concept design, and commencement of project approvals and early procurement of long lead-time items.

This project is expected to be completed in an estimated 41 months, following the approval of DG1.

**Option F — Non-network options**

No technically feasible or commercially viable non-network solutions have been identified. Notwithstanding, the project is expected to require a RIT-T which will allow non-network solution providers to submit proposals.

In conjunction with regulatory consultation, TransGrid will seek expressions of interest from non-network solution providers to address and/or defer the emergence of the need.

**3.3 Options considered and not progressed**

Options that were considered but not progressed, are outlined in the Table 7 below.

**Table 7 – Options not progressed**

Option	Reason for not progressing
Installation of additional Capacitor Banks	There are three capacitor banks (8 MVAR, 10 MVAR and 18 MVAR) already installed at Beryl 132/66 kV Substation. The addition of one or more capacitor banks at Beryl Substation would not address under voltage issues, on outage of line 94B and no renewable generation, so this option is not deemed technically feasible.



## 4. Evaluation

### 4.1 Commercial evaluation methodology

The economic assessment undertaken for this project includes three scenarios that reflect a central set assumptions based on current information that is most likely to eventuate (central scenario), a set of assumptions that give rise to a lower bound for net benefits (lower bound scenario), and a set of assumptions that give rise to an upper bound on benefits (higher bound scenario). Table 8 below indicates assumptions used in commercial evaluation.

**Table 8 – Assumptions used in commercial evaluation**

Parameter	Central scenario	Lower bound scenario	Higher bound scenario
Discount rate	4.8%	7.37%	2.23%
Demand Growth	Medium (POE50)	Low (POE90)	High (POE10)
Capital cost	100%	125%	75%
Operating expenditure	100%	125%	75%
VCR	AER Latest VCR <sup>9</sup> (escalated) 100%	70%	130%
<b>Scenario weighting</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>25%</b>

Since the central scenario represents the most likely scenario to occur, this has been weighted at 50 per cent. The other two scenarios reflect extreme combinations of assumptions, designed to stress test the results. Accordingly, these scenarios are weighted at 25 per cent each.

Parameters used in this commercial evaluation are shown in the Table 9:

**Table 9 – Parameters used in commercial evaluation**

Parameter	Parameter Description	Value used for this evaluation
Discount year	Year that dollar values are discounted to	FY21
Base year	The year that dollar value outputs are expressed in real terms	FY21 dollars
Period of analysis	Number of years included in economic analysis with remaining capital value included as terminal value at the end of the analysis period.	25

The capex figures in this OER do not include any real cost escalation.

<sup>9</sup> VCR used for this calculations is \$43,032/MWh

## 4.2 Commercial evaluation results

The commercial evaluation of the technically feasible options is set out in the Table 10. Details appear in Appendix A. Large difference between NPV values for lower and higher scenario are due to a common load limit<sup>10</sup> set for all scenarios (central, high and low), while higher and lower forecast values for Beryl differ by approximately 15%.

**Table 10 - Commercial evaluation (PV, \$ million)**

Option	Capital Cost PV	OPEX Cost PV	Central scenario NPV	Lower bound scenario NPV	Higher bound scenario NPV	Weighted NPV	Ranking
Base Case	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A
Option A	13,187	4,017	51	-9	1,137	308	1
Option B	28,748	8,266	28	-31	1,072	274	4
Option C	31,584	9,316	26	-36	1,095	278	3
Option D	40,530	12,199	12	-48	1,059	259	5
Option E	12,359	3,585	51	-7	1,115	303	2

## 4.3 Preferred option

The preferred option is Option A. Under this option the following works and installation new network elements is proposed at Beryl 132/66 kV Substation:

- > Extend the 132 kV busbar and install a new 132 kV switchbay and associated secondary systems;
- > Install a new 132/11 kV 30 MVA transformer;
- > Install a new 1 MVA 11 kV/415 V auxiliary transformer;
- > Procure and install a new 30 MVA synchronous condenser and associated secondary systems; and
- > Provide a control building with associated control and protection equipment, and LV switchgear as required.

The preferred option has been selected because it meets the requirements of the need, is technically and commercially feasible<sup>11</sup> and has the highest NPV.

Option E, installation of STATCOM, has a capital cost of \$20 million vs preferred Option A, installation of synchronous condenser, which has a capital cost of \$20.67 million. However, construction of Option A takes three years and construction of Option E takes four years. If both options commence construction at the same time, the longer construction time leads to one more year of unserved energy for Option E vs. Option A, which places Option A in first place and the preferred option.

### Capital and Operating Expenditure

The preferred option requires total capital expenditure of \$20.67 million. This figure includes direct capital cost and network and overhead costs, listed in Table 1.

There is no capital or operating expenditure associated with the “Do Nothing” base case.

<sup>10</sup> Load limit is maximum value of load at Beryl BSP for which voltages and reactive margins are within their limits on outage of 94B and no renewable generation.

<sup>11</sup> All evaluated options meet the need and are technically feasible.

## Regulatory Investment Test

As the estimated cost of the project is above the Regulatory Investment Test (RIT-T) threshold of \$6 million, a RIT-T will be required.

## 5. Optimal Timing

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The test for optimal timing of the preferred option has been undertaken. The approach taken has been to identify the optimal commissioning year for the preferred option where net benefits (including avoided costs and safety disproportionality tests) of the preferred option, exceeds the annualised costs of the option. The commencement year is determined based on the required project disbursement to meet the commissioning year based on the assessment provided in the Option Feasibility Study (OFS) for the preferred option.

The results of optimal timing analysis are:

- > Optimal commissioning year: 2026/27
- > Commissioning year annual benefit: \$2.1 million
- > Annualised cost: \$1.17 million

Based on the optimal timing, the project is expected to commence in the 2023-2028 Regulatory Period.

## 6. Recommendation

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TransGrid is required to operate the transmission network within defined voltage limits, under normal operation and during credible contingency events, as per NER rule S5.1a.4. Under voltage constraints and reactive margin shortfalls in the Beryl area, for a contingent outage of line 94B have been identified, particularly when the renewable generation in the area is not dispatched.

Failure to resolve these constraints in Beryl area will result in under voltage constraints and reactive margin shortfalls being reached, unserved energy due to the interruption of supply to loads in the area under N-1 contingency conditions, and the need to avoid voltage collapse in the local 132 kV network.

The recommendation is to progress with Option A - Install a synchronous condenser of 30 MVA at Beryl (132 kV) as it meets the requirements of the need, is technically and commercially feasible, and has the highest Net Present Value (NPV). This option requires \$2 million of Capex to progress the project to Decision Gate 2 (DG2).

## Appendix A – Option Summaries

Project Description		<i>Maintain voltage in Beryl area</i>	
Option Description		Option A — Install a synchronous condenser of 30 MVA at Beryl (132 kV)	
<b>Project Summary</b>			
Option Rank	1	Investment Assessment Period	25 years
Asset Life	40	NPV Year	2021
<b>Economic Evaluation</b>			
NPV @ Central Benefit Scenario (PV, \$m)	51	Annualised CAPEX (\$m)	1.17
NPV @ Lower Bound Scenario (PV, \$m)	-9	Network Safety Risk Reduction (\$m)	N/A
NPV @ Higher Bound Scenario (PV, \$m)	1,137	ALARP	N/A
NPV Weighted (PV, \$m) <sup>12</sup>	308	Optimal Timing	2026/27
<b>Cost</b>			
Direct Capex (\$m)	19.87	Network and Corporate Overheads (\$m)	0.8
Total Capex (\$m)	20.67	Cost Capex (PV,\$m)	13.19
Terminal Value (\$m)	10.85	Terminal Value (PV,\$m)	3.52

<sup>12</sup> Numbers may not add due to rounding.

<b>Project Description</b>	<b><i>Maintain voltage in Beryl area</i></b>		
<b>Option Description</b>	<b>Option B— Establish a new 330/132 kV substation supplied via a cut-in to Line 79, and a new 132 kV</b>		
<b>Project Summary</b>			
Option Rank	4	Investment Assessment Period	25 years
Asset Life	40	NPV Year	2021
<b>Economic Evaluation</b>			
NPV @ Central Benefit Scenario (PV, \$m)	28	Annualised CAPEX (\$m)	2.84
NPV @ Lower Bound Scenario (PV, \$m)	-31	Network Safety Risk Reduction (\$m)	N/A
NPV @ Higher Bound Scenario (PV, \$m)	1,072	ALARP	N/A
NPV Weighted (PV, \$m) <sup>13</sup>	274	Optimal Timing	2028/29
<b>Cost</b>			
Direct Capex (\$m)	46.3	Network and Corporate Overheads (\$m)	3.9
Total Capex (\$m)	50.2	Cost Capex (PV,\$m)	28.8
Terminal Value (\$m)	28.8	Terminal Value (PV,\$m)	9.4

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<b>Project Description</b>	<b>Maintain voltage in Beryl area</b>		
<b>Option Description</b>	<b>Option C - Battery Storage (18 MW/36 MWh) at Beryl Substation (132 kV)</b>		
<b>Project Summary</b>			
Option Rank	3	Investment Assessment Period	25 years
Asset Life	40	NPV Year	2021
<b>Economic Evaluation</b>			
NPV @ Central Benefit Scenario (PV, \$m)	26	Annualised CAPEX (\$m)	2.95
NPV @ Lower Bound Scenario (PV, \$m)	-36	Network Safety Risk Reduction (\$m)	N/A
NPV @ Higher Bound Scenario (PV, \$m)	1,095	ALARP	N/A
NPV Weighted (PV, \$m) <sup>14</sup>	278	Optimal Timing	2028/29
<b>Cost</b>			
Direct Capex (\$m)	50.5	Network and Corporate Overheads (\$m)	1.5
Total Capex (\$m)	52	Cost Capex (PV,\$m)	31.6
Terminal Value (\$m)	28.6	Terminal Value (PV,\$m)	9.3

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<b>Project Description</b>	<b><i>Maintain voltage in Beryl area</i></b>		
<b>Option Description</b>	<b>Option D - Duplication of the 132 kV Line 94B, Wellington to Beryl</b>		
<b>Project Summary</b>			
Option Rank	5	Investment Assessment Period	25 years
Asset Life	40	NPV Year	2021
<b>Economic Evaluation</b>			
NPV @ Central Benefit Scenario (PV, \$m)	12	Annualised CAPEX (\$m)	4.2
NPV @ Lower Bound Scenario (PV, \$m)	-48	Network Safety Risk Reduction (\$m)	N/A
NPV @ Higher Bound Scenario (PV, \$m)	1,059	ALARP	N/A
NPV Weighted (PV, \$m) <sup>15</sup>	259	Optimal Timing	2030/31
<b>Cost</b>			
Direct Capex (\$m)	71	Network and Corporate Overheads (\$m)	3
Total Capex (\$m)	74	Cost Capex (PV,\$m)	40.5
Terminal Value (\$m)	42.6	Terminal Value (PV,\$m)	13.8

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<b>Project Description</b>	<b>Maintain voltage in Beryl area</b>		
<b>Option Description</b>	Option E - Install a 132 kV STATCOM at Beryl 132/66 kV substation, with a capability range of +30 MVAR to -5 MVAR		
<b>Project Summary</b>			
Option Rank	2	Investment Assessment Period	25 years
Asset Life	40	NPV Year	2021
<b>Economic Evaluation</b>			
NPV @ Central Benefit Scenario (PV, \$m)	51	Annualised CAPEX (\$m)	1.1
NPV @ Lower Bound Scenario (PV, \$m)	-7	Network Safety Risk Reduction (\$m)	N/A
NPV @ Higher Bound Scenario (PV, \$m)	1,115	ALARP	N/A
NPV Weighted (PV, \$m) <sup>16</sup>	303	Optimal Timing	2027/28
<b>Cost</b>			
Direct Capex (\$m)	19.2	Network and Corporate Overheads (\$m)	0.8
Total Capex (\$m)	20	Cost Capex (PV,\$m)	12.4
Terminal Value (\$m)	11	Terminal Value (PV,\$m)	3.6

<sup>16</sup> Numbers may not add due to rounding.

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