

Form

Referral of a proposal under s. 38 of the EP Act

PART A: PROPONENT AND REFERRER INFORMATION AND PROPOSAL DESCRIPTION**Referrer information****Who is referring this proposal?**

Yindjibarndi Energy Corporation Pty Ltd

☒ Proponent☐ Decision-making authority☐ Community member/third party**Name (print)** Tamara Brooker*Name of the person or organisation referring***Signature**

Signed by:

Tamara Brooker

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Date

30-Jun-2025

Does the referrer request that the EPA treat any part of the proposal information in the referral as confidential?

Provide confidential information in a separate attachment.☐ Yes ☒ No

Does the referrer confirm that they consent to receive correspondence electronically?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Referral declaration for proponent and Authorised representative:

I, Tamara Brooker declare that I am authorised to refer this proposal on behalf of Yindjibarndi Energy Corporation and further declare that the information contained in this form is true and not misleading.

Date: 30-Jun-2025

Proponent information**Name of the proponent/s***Include Trading Name if relevant*

Yindjibarndi Energy Corporation Pty Ltd

Australian Company Number(s)

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667 821 865

OR

Australian Business Number(s)

☐**Pre-referral discussions****Have you had pre-referral discussions with the EPA (including the EPA Services of DWER)?**☒ Yes☐ No

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| If so, provide name, date, and overview of discussions. | | See section 5.6 of the supporting document. |
| Proposal information | | |
| Proposal name | | Baru-Marnda Renewable Energy Project |
| What is the proposal? (Include general description in the Instructions and template: How to identify the content of a proposal) | | <p>Yindjibarndi Energy Corporation is proposing to develop the Baru-Marnda Renewable Energy Project, approximately 50 km south of Karratha, Western Australia on Yindjibarndi ngurra. The proposal will comprise wind and solar energy generation facilities of up to 1,000 and 500 Megawatts ac respectively with option for energy storage, and associated hardware and infrastructure.</p> <p>The proposal will be located within a development envelope of 42,127.47 ha. An indicative disturbance footprint has been identified within the development envelope which has the potential to disturb up to 4,986.4 ha of native vegetation.</p> <p>Renewable energy generated and stored by the Baru-Marnda Renewable Energy Project will predominately be made available for use throughout the Pilbara region via the North West Interconnected System.</p> |
| Have you provided electronic spatial data, maps, and figures in the appropriate format? | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| What type of proposal is being referred? <i>For significant amendment or derived proposal, provide the associated existing Ministerial statement number/s</i> <i>For a proposal under an assessed planning scheme, provide the scheme number and name</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> significant proposal. <i>Choose which type of significant proposal</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> new proposal <input type="checkbox"/> significant amendment (proposal only) <input type="checkbox"/> significant amendment (conditions only) <input type="checkbox"/> significant amendment (proposal and conditions) <input type="checkbox"/> strategic proposal <input type="checkbox"/> derived proposal <input type="checkbox"/> proposals of a prescribed class <input type="checkbox"/> proposal under an assessed planning scheme | |
| Proposal content: Complete the corresponding template (Proposal Content Document) from the Instructions and template: How to identify the content of a proposal for the type of proposal identified above. The completed form must be submitted with the referral. | | |
| Alternatives | | See section 2.4 of the supporting information |

PART B: ASSESSMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

Environmental factors

What are the likely significant environmental factors for this proposal?

- ☐ Benthic Communities and Habitat
- ☐ Coastal Processes
- ☐ Marine Environmental Quality
- ☐ Marine Fauna
- ☒ Flora and Vegetation
- ☐ Landforms
- ☐ Subterranean Fauna
- ☐ Terrestrial Environmental Quality
- ☒ Terrestrial Fauna
- ☒ Inland Waters
- ☐ Air Quality
- ☐ Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- ☒ Social Surroundings
- ☐ Human Health

For **each** of the environmental factors identified above, complete the following table, or provide the information in a supplementary report

Potential environmental impacts – for each environmental factor

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| 1 | EPA policy and guidance | Within the supporting information, see section 7.1.1 (Flora and Vegetation), section 7.2.1 (Terrestrial Fauna), section 7.3.1 (Inland Waters) and section 7.4.1 (Social Surroundings) |
| 2 | Receiving environment | Within the supporting information, see section 7.1.2 (Flora and Vegetation), section 7.2.2 (Terrestrial Fauna), section 7.3.2 (Inland Waters) and section 7.4.2 (Social Soundings) |
| 3 | Likely environmental impacts | Within the supporting information, see section 7.1.3 (Flora and Vegetation), section 7.2.3 (Terrestrial Fauna), section 7.3.3 (Inland Waters), and section 7.4.3 (Social Surroundings) |
| 4 | Application of the mitigation hierarchy, including other statutory decision-making processes | Within the supporting information, see section 7.1.4 (Flora and Vegetation), section 7.2.4 (Terrestrial Fauna), section 7.3.4 (Inland Waters), and section 7.4.4 (Social Surroundings). |

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| 5 | Assessment and significance of residual impacts | Within the supporting information, see section 8. |
| 6 | Likely environmental outcomes | Within the supporting information, see section 7.1.5 (Flora and Vegetation), section 7.2.5 (Terrestrial Fauna), section 7.3.5 (Inland Waters) and section 7.4.5 (Social Surroundings) |
| Holistic impact assessment | | |
| See section 10 of the supporting information | | |
| Cumulative environmental impact assessment | | |
| See sections 7.1.3.3 (Flora and Vegetation), 7.2.3.3 (Terrestrial Fauna), 7.3.3.3 (Inland Waters) and 7.4.3.3 (Social Surroundings) of the supporting information | | |
| Consultation | | |
| See section 5 of the supporting information | | |
| Supporting documents | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Impact Assessment – Supporting Information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Appendix 1: Mattiske Consulting (2025). Detailed Flora and Vegetation Assessment Appendix 2: RPS Group (2025). Flora, Vegetation and Fauna Assessment Appendix 3: Bamford Consulting Ecologists (2025). Fauna Assessment Report Appendix 4: Bennelongia Environmental Consultants (2024). Short Range Endemic Invertebrate Desktop Assessment. Appendix 5: Coterra Environment (2025) Bird and Bat Management Plan Appendix 6: Pentium Water (2025). Hydrology and Hydrogeology Assessment Appendix 7: Sonus (2025). Noise Impact Assessment Appendix 8: Ecoscape (2025). Visual Impact Assessment. | | |
| Has the referrer provided survey information according to the Instructions and Form: IBSA Data Packages and/or the Instructions and form: IMSA Data Packages | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| Conclusion | | |
| The proposal has the potential to result in significant environmental impacts. However based on the detailed environmental impact assessment presented within the supporting information, these impacts are anticipated to be time-bound, spatially limited, and can be appropriately addressed through application of the mitigation hierarchy to ensure that residual impacts are not significant. It is considered that the proposal can be implemented in a manner that meets the EPA's objectives for each relevant environmental factor. | | |

PART B: ASSESSMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS FOR SIGNIFICANT AMENDMENTS ONLY

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| Type of significant amendment | <input type="checkbox"/> significant amendment to the approved proposal <input type="checkbox"/> significant amendment to the implementation conditions <input type="checkbox"/> significant amendment to both the proposal and the implementation conditions |
| Information of the approved proposal | |
| Combined effects of the approved proposal and significant amendment | |
| Analysis of existing implementation conditions | |
| Previous changes to the Proposal and or implementation conditions | |
| Compliance | |
| Environmental Performance | |
| Control of implementation of significant amendment | |

PART B: ASSESSMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS FOR A PROPOSAL UNDER AN ASSESSED SCHEME ONLY

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| What new environmental issues are raised by the proposal that were not assessed during the assessment of the planning scheme? | |
| How does the proposal not comply with the assessed scheme and/or the environmental conditions in the assessed planning scheme? | |

PART B: ASSESSMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS FOR DERIVED PROPOSALS ONLY

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| Demonstrate how the proposal will meet the environmental outcomes defined through the assessment of the strategic proposal | |
| Provide an analysis of the existing implementation conditions of the related strategic proposal in relation to the derived proposal | |

PART C: OTHER APPROVALS AND REGULATION

Decision-making authorities and their approvals

Provide a table list of the decision-making authorities, associated legislation or agreement regulating the activity and the specific approval required. (Example table at the end of form)

A discussion of legislation applicable to the proposal, including other decision making authorities and required approvals, is provided at Section 4 and Table 4.1 of the supporting documentation.

Provide a summary of the statutory decision-making processes you consider can mitigate the potential impacts of the proposal on the environment. (Note: this should be a summary of the information provided in Part B section 2.4). (Example table at the end of form)

Where statutory decision making processed can mitigate potential environmental impacts, these have been discussed against the relevant environmental factor in the supporting information (corresponding to sections 7.1.4, 7.2.4, 7.3.4, and 7.4.4.)

Tenure and Local Government approvals

Location of proposal:
a) street address, lot number, suburb, and nearest road intersection; or
b) if remote, the nearest town and distance and direction from that town to the proposal site.

The proposal is located approximately 50 km south of Karratha on Yindjibarndi ngurra, west of Millstream Chichester National Park. The nearest road intersection to the proposal is Manuwarra Red Dog Road / Warlu Road and Roebourne-Wittenoom Road.

Name of the Local Government Authority in which the proposal is located.

Shire of Ashburton

Is rezoning of any land required before the proposal can be implemented?
If yes, please provide details.

☐ Yes ☒ No

What is the current land use on the property, and the extent (area in hectares) of the property?

See section 2.1 of the supporting information

Does the proponent have the legal access required for the implementation of all aspects of the proposal?

☒ Yes ☐ No
See section 2.1 of the supporting information

If yes, provide details of legal access authorisations / agreements / tenure.

If no, what authorisations / agreements / tenure is required and from whom?

Commonwealth Government approvals

Does the proposal involve an action that may be or is a controlled action under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act)?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Has the proposed action been referred? If yes, when was it referred and what is the reference number (EPBC No.)?

☒ Yes ☐ No
Date: 16/06/2025
EPBC No.: 2025/10222

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| <p>If referred, has a decision been made on whether the proposed action is a controlled action? If 'yes', check the appropriate box and provide the decision in an attachment.</p> | <p> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Decision – controlled action <input type="checkbox"/> Decision – not a controlled action </p> |
| <p>If the proposal is determined to be a controlled action, do you request that this proposal be assessed under a Bilateral Agreement or as an accredited assessment?</p> | <p> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - Bilateral <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes - Accredited </p> |
| <p>Is approval required from other Commonwealth Government/s for any part of the proposal? <i>If yes, describe.</i></p> | <p> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Approval: </p> |
| <p>Decision-making authority referrals <u>ONLY</u></p> | |
| <p>What approval/s, under your authority, are required for this proposal? <i>Please provide details.</i></p> | <p>N/A</p> |