



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

**Golden Plains WF2 Pty Ltd (ACN 650 490 109) as trustee
for Golden Plains WF2 Unit Trust (ABN 19 955 437 506)**

RECORD OF DECISION

19 May 2025

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 Golden Plains WF2 Pty Ltd (ACN 650 490 109) as trustee for Golden Plains WF2 Unit Trust (ABN 19 955 437 506) (GPWF2) a licence to generate electricity for supply or sale at Golden Plains Wind Farm West in the vicinity of Rokewood, Victoria. Golden Plains Wind Farm West has a total nameplate capacity of 576.6MW.

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 or distribution of electricity or supply or sale of electricity by retail 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)(a) 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.

On 8 November 2024, GPWF2 applied to the commission for a licence authorising it to generate electricity for supply or sale.

Consistent with the requirements of the commission's electricity generation licence application form and 'Guideline: Applications for electricity and gas industry licences', GPWF2 provided the commission with necessary documentation supporting the application.

On 24 March 2025, 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) (ESC Act).

DECISION

The commission is satisfied that:

- GPWF2 has the technical capacity to comply with the conditions of the licence to be granted; and
- GPWF2 is a fit and proper person to hold a licence to generate electricity for supply or sale.

In accordance with Section 19(1) of the EI Act and having regard to its objectives under the ESC Act and the EI Act, the commission has decided to grant GPWF2 a licence to generate electricity for supply or sale. The authorisation granted by the licence is limited to the generation of electricity at Golden Plains Wind Farm West.

**THE COMMON SEAL
of the ESSENTIAL
SERVICES COMMISSION**
was affixed pursuant to the
authority of the commission
on 22 May 2025

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Gerard Brody
Chairperson