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Submissions
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Dear Dr Craik AM,

Re: Review of the Role of the National Wind Farm Commissioner

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Infigen Energy (Infigen) is a business actively participating in the Australian energy market. It is a developer, owner and operator of generation assets delivering energy solutions to Australian businesses and large retailers. Infigen has 557 Megawatts (MW) of installed generation capacity across New South Wales, South Australia and Western Australia with a further 113 MW under construction in New South Wales.

Infigen supports the continuation of the role of the National Wind Farm Commissioner (NWFC) due to its valuable contribution to date to the wind farm industry and its communities.

Infigen has the following observations:

- The NWFC has engaged in open and informative communication with the government, education, industry and local communities.
- The creation of the role has provided a formal platform for communities/ individuals to share concerns they may have relating to wind farms and for resolutions to be identified in a fair and robust manner. Infigen values the Complaints Handling Process and views it as an important initiative which should continue.
- The NWFC offers annual best practice recommendations and information sharing which is vital to the ongoing improvement of wind farm projects and how they interact with local communities.
- The recommendations helped inform Infigen's own consultation initiatives on the Bodangora Wind Farm project which is currently under construction.

With the rapid expansion of solar, battery storage and other renewable technologies and projects across Australia, there would be scope for the wind farm commissioner role to expand to cover these areas.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ross Rolfe". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a white background.

Ross Rolfe AO
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