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Chief Executive Officer
Douglas Shire Council

Attention: Kieren Nyko
Via email: enquiries@douglas.qld.gov.au

cc James P Hilton and Kylie R Hilton
Attention: James Hilton
Via email: jimmyhilton@gmail.com

Dear Sir/Madam,

Ergon Advice Agency Response
Our Ref: ECM 43100094-43099620
Council Ref: ROL 2026_6006/1

This Referral Agency response is given under section 56 of the *Planning Act 2016.*

Response	
Outcome	Approved in full - subject to conditions
Referral assessment capacity	Advice
Matters referral assessment made against (S55(2))	The purpose of the *Electricity Act 1994* and *Electricity Safety Act* 2002
Reasons for decision (S56(7)(b))	The works do not conflict with: ▪ the objectives set out within Part 2, Section 3 of the Electricity Act 1994 ▪ the purpose of the Electricity Safety Act 2002 as set out within Part 1 Division 2 Section 4 & 5. The works do not adversely impact on the safe, efficient, and economically viable operation of the supply network.

Development Details

Have you seen our fact sheets?
See the 'considerations when developing around electricity infrastructure' section of our website
www.ergon.com.au/referralagency

Applicant	James P Hilton and Kylie R Hilton
Assessment Manager	Douglas Shire Council
Council Application No.	ROL 2026_6006/1
Street Address	Cassowary Road, Cassowary
RPD	Lot 87 NR616 & Lot 39 SP144706
Development Type	Reconfiguring a Lot (Boundary Realignment - 2 Lots into 2 Lots)
Referral Trigger	☐ Schedule 10, Part 9, Division 2, Table 1, Item 1 (10.9.2.1.1) – Reconfiguring a lot subject to an easement for the benefit of a distribution entity under the Electricity Act for a supply network; or part of the lot is within 100m of a substation site
Impacted Electrical Infrastructure	Easement A on RP899188 – O/H 132kV Feeders 7200 & 7201 & Towwer 5105265 O/H 22kV Feeder 2CAS & Poles 5146319, 5146320

Ergon provides the following response to the application in accordance with Section 56(1) of the *Planning Act 2016:*

Component of Development	Advice Agency direction
ROL	☐ S56(1)(b)(i) – approval subject to stated development conditions

In accordance with Section 56(1) should the Assessment Manager decide to approve the proposed Development Application, as an Advice Agency, Ergon requires that the assessment manager impose the below conditions. These conditions have been imposed in response to the matters prescribed under Section 55 (2) of the *Planning Act 2016.*

Table 1			
Plans forming part of this Approval			
Title	*Plan No.*	*Issue*	*Date*
Updated Plan of Development	*ROL 2026_6006/1*	*1*	*3 October 2026*

Table 2			
Condition		Timing	Purpose/Reason
1	Carry out the approved development generally in accordance with the approved plans and	At all times	To ensure the development is carried out generally in accordance with

	documents outlined within Table 1 of this approval and the following: ▪ The specifications, facts and circumstances as set out in the development application submitted to Ergon; and ▪ Where a discrepancy or conflict exists between the written conditions of the approval and the approved plans, the requirements of the written conditions prevail		the plans of development submitted within the application
2	Any alterations to the plans and document(s) identified within Table 1 of this response are to be resubmitted to Ergon for comment	At all times	To ensure the development is carried out generally in accordance with the plans of development submitted within the application

General Advice:

- Ergon's referral response is limited to the management of impacts on electrical infrastructure within its referral jurisdiction and does not assess or confirm electricity supply, network capacity, or connection requirements; proponents must undertake a separate connection enquiry via Ergon's Customer Portal to initiate investigations and obtain formal advice and approvals relating to network connections.

- Compliance with the Electrical Safety Act 2002, including any Code of Practice under the Act and the Electrical safety Regulation 2013 including any safety exclusion zones defined in the Regulation is mandatory

Should any doubt exist in maintaining the prescribed clearance to the overhead conductors and electrical infrastructure then the applicant is obliged under the Act to seek advice from Ergon.

- Any costs incurred by Ergon as a result of the works on the easement are to be met by the property Developer / owner.

- This response does not constitute an approval to commence any works within the easement. Consent to commence works relevant to the conditions of the easement is required. All works on easement (including but not limited to earthworks, drainage and detention basins, road construction, underground and overhead services installation) require detailed submissions, assessment, and consent (or otherwise) by Ergon.

- All works proposed to be undertaken in close proximity to overhead or underground electrical lines are to be undertaken in accordance with Ergons's Works Practice Manual WP1323. This document refers to various standards, guidelines, calculations, legal requirements, technical details, and other information relevant to working near high voltage infrastructure. A copy of WP1323 can be found online via Ergon's document library (Document library | Ergon).

Should you require any further information on the above matter, please contact Harriet Veal on 0427 293 604 or via email at townplanning@ergon.com.au.

Yours faithfully,

Harriet Veal

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