CIMIC awarded AUD 478m energy infrastructure contract in Western Australia

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CIMIC Group's UGL has been awarded three packages of work for Western Power’s Clean Energy Link – East (CEL-East), assisting their clean energy transmission expansion.

The CEL-East project is a major investment in Western Australia's energy future, expanding the transmission network east of Collie to connect new renewable energy sources, strengthen grid reliability, and support the transition to net zero by 2050.

The contract is expected to deliver revenue of $478 million to UGL.

Located south of Perth, the scope of work for UGL’s packages includes the expansion of the 330kV Shotts Terminal, enabling works around Muja Terminal, and the construction of new 330kV high capacity transmission lines between Muja, Shotts and Cordering terminals, delivering four new circuits to increase network capacity and support future energy demand.

CIMIC Group Chief Executive Officer Jason Spears said:

"As Australia accelerates its transition to a lower-carbon future, the need for large-scale transmission infrastructure has never been greater.

"UGL's proven ability to deliver complex energy and utility projects, backed by the strength and resources of CIMIC Group, positions us to help customers deliver the networks needed to connect renewable generation and power communities. We are proud to contribute our expertise to this landmark investment in Western Australia's energy future."

UGL Managing Director Sam Goldsmith said:

"UGL is proud to continue supporting Western Power on one of Western Australia’s largest infrastructure transformations in its history.

"As leaders in critical energy infrastructure, projects like Clean Energy Link - East demonstrate the critical role UGL plays in shaping Australia's energy future. Drawing on decades of experience delivering complex transmission, power and utility infrastructure, we have the people, technical expertise and integrated delivery capability to successfully execute projects of this scale."

The project will expand WA’s transmission network to connect new wind and solar generation, improving energy security and reliability, and supporting businesses and the wider community as part of a greener future.

Works are expected to commence in October 2026.

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