

Ms Marianne Gibbons
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Dear Ms Gibbons

Eraring Battery Energy Storage System (SSD-15950052) Response to Submissions

The exhibition of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Eraring Energy Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) concluded on 15 December 2021.

The Department received no submissions from the public on the project and received advice from 15 government agencies. The Department notes that advice from Lake Macquarie City Council, Transport for New South Wales (TfNSW), TransGrid and the Environmental Protection Authority is still outstanding and will be forwarded to you once received.

All submissions received by the Department during the exhibition can be viewed on the Department's website at https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/project/41511.

The Department requires that you prepare and submit a report detailing your responses to the full range of matters and recommendations raised in all submissions, in accordance with clause 82(2) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000*. The report must be in the form of a submissions report that has been prepared having regard to the *State Significant Development Guidelines (2021)*.

Please provide your response to the issues raised in the submissions by **Monday 31 January 2022**. Following your consideration of the submissions, please contact the Department should you feel that this timeframe is not achievable.

Note that under clause 113(7) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000*, the days occurring between the date of this letter and the date on which your response to submissions is received by the Secretary are not included in the deemed refusal period.

If you have any questions, please contact Lander Robinson, who can be contacted on (02) 9274 6052 or at Lander.Robinson@planning.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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