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MWRC correspondence



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2 February 2023

Cédric Bergé
ACEN Australia
Hub Customs House, 3rd Floor, Customs House, 31 Alfred St
Sydney NSW 2000

Dear Cédric

SUBJECT: MID-WESTERN COMMUNITY FUNDING AGREEMENT - Birriwa Solar Farm

I am writing to you regarding a proposed Mid-Western Community Funding Agreement between ACEN Australia and Mid-Western Regional Council (Council) in relation to Birriwa Solar Farm.

The impact of this project and other major developments in the Mid-Western region is significant. The introduction of a high volume of construction workforce into the region will have a negative impact on a range of social and economic services in the region. An increased population will further strain water, sewer and waste services. Further, the upgrading of roads for construction, will result in an increased maintenance schedule for Council for now and into the future.

It is due to the above impacts and the additional knock-on effects on the social fabric of the region, that Council requests that ACEN Australia provides the following support to Council to manage these:

- 1.5% of Capital investment to be paid to Mid-Western Regional Council
 - 50% of which would be provided upfront once construction commences; and
 - Remaining 50% to be paid per annum over the life of the project.
- Funds will be utilised by Council to support and manage the impacts on the community as an outcome of this project and will go towards activities identified by the community in the Community Plan and Delivery Plan strategic documents developed after extensive engagement across the region.

The next steps will be for you to prepare a Mid-Western Community Funding Agreement which will be placed on public exhibition for 28 days in accordance with the legislative requirements under the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act.

I am happy to discuss this further if you wish.

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BRAD CAM
GENERAL MANAGER