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Attention: Ms Elisha Dunn

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Dear Elisha Dunn

No Comment to Planning Advice Request

Thank you for the request for the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) to comment on the proposed Maryvale Solar Farm MOD 1 – Batter Energy Storage System (SSD - 8777-Mod-1) located at 121 Maryvale Road and 801 Cobbora Road, Maryvale, approximately 15 kilometres north-east of Wellington, NSW.

The proposal is for:

- The construction and operation of a 125 MW photovoltaic solar farm along with battery storage, and
- Associated infrastructure, including connection into the Transgrid substation.

Based on the information provided, the proposal does not appear to require an Environment Protection Licence under the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997*. Furthermore, the EPA understands that the proposal is not being undertaken by or on behalf of a NSW Public Authority nor are the proposed activities, other activities for which the EPA is the appropriate regulatory authority.

In view of these factors, the EPA has no comments to provide on this project and no follow-up consultation is required.

Dubbo Regional Council should be consulted as the appropriate regulatory authority for the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997* in relation to the proposal.

If you have any further enquiries in relation to the matter, please contact Brooke Emerton on (02) 6883 5368 or by email at info@epa.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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