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Dear Elisha Dunn,

Re: Advice on Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs) for the Bendemeer Solar Farm (SSD-36651552)

Fire and Rescue NSW (FRNSW) acknowledge correspondence received on 11 February 2022, requesting input into the preparation of the SEARs for the Bendemeer Solar Farm.

FRNSW have reviewed the SEARs and Scoping Report and make the following comments:

FRNSW note the project would involve the construction, operation and decommissioning of a photovoltaic (PV) solar facility and a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS). The final capacity of solar generation and energy storage is subject to detail design and project development but is currently anticipated to be up to 210MW generation and up to 200 MW / 300 MWh storage.

As additional details become available FRNSW requests to be consulted with respect to the proposed fire and life safety systems and their configuration at the project's preliminary and final design phases. We request that we be given the opportunity to review and provide comment once approvals have been granted and the project has progressed such that there is more relevant detailed information available.

For further information please contact the Operational Liaison and Special Hazards Unit, referencing FRNSW file number BFS22/538. Please ensure that all correspondence in relation to this matter is submitted electronically to firesafety@fire.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Hawes".

Superintendent John Hawes
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