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Via: Major Projects Portal

ADVICE RESPONSE: Jindera BESS

Stage: Advice on Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements

Development Application: SSD-68815961

Dear Mr Bellamy,

I refer to your correspondence dated 21 March 2024 inviting the Department of Regional NSW – Mining, Exploration and Geoscience (MEG) to provide comments on the Jindera BESS (the Project), submitted by BESS Atlantic Pty Ltd (the Proponent).

MEG has reviewed the information supplied and notes that the project site is located within an area covered by Exploration Licence (EL) 9366 (not EL6406 as noted in the scoping report.). EL 9366 is held by Krakatoa Australia Pty Ltd (Krakatoa) for Group 1 minerals. MEG notes that EL9366 expires on 3 March 2024 and advises the title holder has sought renewal and the title remains “in force” under the *Mining Act 1992*.

MEG acknowledges the proponent’s commitment to consult with Krakatoa, as required by the draft SEARs. MEG recommends early engagement with title holders to determine their interest in the area and exploration activities proposed in the vicinity of the project site.

MEG has no additional requirements to those in the draft SEARs and advises the Proponent to actively monitor the MinView map viewer at <https://minview.geoscience.nsw.gov.au> for mining title changes that may interact with this project. MEG can assist with title holder contact details if required.

For further advice on this matter, please contact Sarah Maiorana, Project Officer, Industry Advisory & Mining Concierge unit - Industry Development branch on 02 4063 6860 or mining.concierge@regional.nsw.gov.au.

Sincerely



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