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Your reference: SSD-69576706
Our reference: DA20240411001422-SEARS-1

ATTENTION: Tanja Ibsen

Date: Friday 19 April 2024

Dear Sir/Madam,

Development Application

State Significant – SEARS – Electricity Generating Works

Mallee Solar Farm - Stuart Hwy Mallee 2738, 2//DP1182353, 3//DP1182353, 1//DP1233260

I refer to your correspondence regarding the above proposal which was received by the NSW Rural Fire Service on 10/04/2024.

The NSW Rural Fire Service advises that the Environmental Impact Statement for the proposed development should incorporate a bush fire hazard assessment undertaken by a suitably qualified consultant to address:

- the aims and objectives of Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2019,
- the specific matters within section 8.3.5 - Wind and Solar Farms, and
- any potential impacts the solar farm could have on aerial firefighting of bush fires in the region or ground based firefighting at the site.

For any queries regarding this correspondence, please contact Stephen McKinnon on 1300 NSW RFS.

Yours sincerely,

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