

Ms Megan Ramsdale

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SSD-61460977 Beryl BESS EIS

Dear Ms Ramsdale,

Thank you for your correspondence of 26 August 2024 and the opportunity to provide comment on the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Beryl BESS, 5 Holleys Lane, Gulgong in Mid-Western Regional LGA.

The NSW Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development collaborates and partners with our stakeholders to protect and enhance the productive and sustainable use and resilience of agricultural resources and the environment.

The Department has reviewed the EIS and supporting documents provided. We consider the potential impacts to agricultural land and agricultural production in relation to the proposal have been identified and appropriate mitigation measures proposed. We acknowledge the intention to prepare a Pest and Weed Management Plan to manage biosecurity as part of both Construction and Operation Management Plans, which is supported.

Should you require clarification on any of the information contained in this response, please contact Nita Scott, on 0487 023 845 or by email at landuse.ag@dpird.nsw.gov.au.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Nita Scott".

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