



Iwan Davies

Director, Energy Assessments

NSW Department of Planning, Housing & Infrastructure (DPHI)

22 April 2026

Re: Culcairn Solar Farm (SSD 10288) – Notification of Commencement of Operation

Dear Iwan,

I am writing on behalf of Neoen Australia Pty Ltd (**Neoen** or **we**) in relation to Condition 4 of Schedule 4 of the Culcairn Solar Farm (**Project**) Development Consent (SSD 10288 – granted on 25 March 2021, as modified on 22 December 2023 and on 19 December 2024), which states that:

Notification of Department

4. Prior to commencing the construction, operations, upgrading or decommissioning of the development or the cessation of operations, the Applicant must notify the Department in writing via the Major Projects website

portal of the date of commencement, or cessation, of the relevant phase.

If any of these phases of the development are to be staged, then the Applicant must notify the Department in writing prior to commencing the relevant stage, and clearly identify the development that would be carried out during the relevant stage.

Following the RFI from DPHI dated 19 April 2026, the Applicant specifies the date of commencement of operations is 17 April 2026. The Applicant highlights that some minor testing is still occurring with Transgrid and AEMO (the last test is scheduled on 24 April 2026) and that punch-list items closure activities are currently ongoing onsite with our contractor; however the Applicant does not consider that these activities impede the commencement of the operations stage.

Kind regards,

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