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Dear Iwan

SSD-35160796 – APSLEY BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM – REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Thank you for your letter of 27 April 2023 with respect to the above matter.

The abovementioned Request for Information (RFI) letter identified two issues requiring further information, as addressed below.

Issue 1 – You are requested to provide a figure showing local flood mapping across the site which substantiates the statement in the EIS that the site is not expected to be flood prone given its location at a local high point

The Applicant has commissioned a site flood study to inform detailed design of the project. The flood study (provided as an attachment to this letter) confirms that the site inundation from flooding during the 1% Annual Exceedance Probability (AEP) results in a maximum flood depth of less than 250mm. The report notes that a flood hazard map was created from the product of both flood depth and velocity as described in the previous section. The subject site and facilities are classified as H1 'Generally safe for vehicles, people, and buildings'. This is to be expected of shallow still water, ponding across the site rather than traversing it. Around the dam higher classifications are observed up to H5, this is due to the deep water in the dam.

Issue 2 - Confirmation as to whether the project requires the use of any heavy vehicles requiring escort during construction, upgrading and decommissioning, and if so, how many.

The applicant has confirmed that no oversize overmass movements are required or proposed.

We trust that the above provides sufficient information with respect to this matter however please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned with any further questions.

Yours sincerely



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