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RE: FOUR MILE CREEK WIND FARM (SSD-100738458) – REQUEST FOR INPUT INTO SEARS

Thank you for referring the abovementioned request for input into the Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs) to the Department of Defence (Defence) for comment.

Defence understands that the proposed Four Mile Creek Wind Farm will consist of up to 21 wind turbine generators (WTGs) and ancillary infrastructure, and each WTG will have a maximum blade tip height of up to 250 metres. The subject site is approximately 7 kilometres southwest of Orange.

As tall structures, wind farms have the potential to pose a number of concerns for Defence, particularly with regard to aircraft safety, military low flying and radar interference. Defence is satisfied that the key issues and consultation requirements outlined in the SEARs will ensure Defence is formally consulted and all concerns considered during the preparation of the Project's Environmental Impact Statement.

Should you wish to discuss the content of this advice further, my point of contact is Mrs Nadine Hipps at land.planning@defence.gov.au

Yours sincerely,

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