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Dear Natasha,

PROJECT UPDATE AND SUBMISSION EXTENSION  
SSD – 10346  
OXLEY SOLAR FARM

We are writing to update your Department in relation to the projects progress and to advise the date of submission for the Amendment Report and the Submissions Report.

Since the publication of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) in March 2021 we have actively worked to deliver a significant redesign of the project to reduce various environmental impacts. This has included aspects such as, however not limited to, a reduction in the disturbance footprint area, use of fewer solar panels, improved access options, avoidance of sensitive environmental zones, greater setbacks from waterways and the National Park as well more detailed erosion control plans. This redesign will ensure a reduced visual impact and lower environmental effects overall. We believe these modifications to the project demonstrate a responsiveness to issues raised by the community.

The delays in submitting the Submissions and Amendment Report for Oxley Solar Farm were centred on the amount of work required to finalise the improved development footprint that responded to issues raised by the community as well as capturing the flexibility required for the project to proceed into construction, pending approval. While we had expected to have this footprint finalised earlier in 2022, it has involved considerably more work than was originally envisaged.

In addition, COVID related issues continue to cause disturbances to our workforce due to key staff being unable to work at various critical times. This has significantly affected our timelines.

We appreciate the need to keep the Department and community informed about the response to the submissions they have raised. We believe the changes we have been progressing on the development footprint will provide the most appropriate project for this site and reduce the likelihood of modifications, pending approval.

We therefore seek an extension of time for submission of the documents by 30 June 2022.

We continue to be available to communicate with any and all stakeholders at any time.

Yours Sincerely,

Rhysan Li  
Director – Oxley Solar Development  
5 May 2022