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Ref: SSD – 15950052 Mod 1

Attention: Wayne Jones
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NSW Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure
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Dear Wayne

RE: Eraring Battery Energy Storage System SSD-15950052 Mod 1 – Request to extend working hours to fill transformers

Origin Energy Eraring Pty Limited (Origin) is writing to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI) to request an amendment to the existing temporary extension to the hours of construction at the Eraring Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) Project, located at Eraring, NSW.

A request was initially made to the DPHI to allow for the extension of construction hours for the filling of two large transformers as part of the Project's substation. An approval was received from DPHI on 27 July 2024, allowing for the following:

- No. 1 TX Oil fill – 27 July 2024 to 6 August 2024
- No. 2 TX Oil fill – 16 August 2024 to 26 August 2024

The works have commenced however the suppliers of the transformers have requested an adjustment to the existing dates. The change to hours are as follows:

- No. 1 TX Oil fill – 27 July 2024 to 16 August 2024
- No. 2 TX Oil fill – 25 August 2024 to 09 September 2024

It is noted that while the extension to the date to fill the first transformer has now expired works will not continue until the request to amend the extended dates has been reapproved by DPHI.

Further, as committed to in the original request, arrangements will remain in place to ensure all necessary safety and environmental mitigation measures will be in place during the works. This includes:

1. Setting up lighting towers, with lights facing north and east (towards the Eraring Power Station and canal and away from sensitive receptors)
2. Setting up of oil filling skids / vacuum pumps to ensure the oil is properly treated and delivered to the transformer, as well as ensuring the transformer tank is free from air and moisture, allowing the oil to fill all spaces effectively
3. Monitoring pump rates every 15 minutes throughout the night.

Further, only adequately trained personnel will be involved in the filling process which will also be trained in spill prevention, response and environmental protection procedures. Adequate spill kits containing absorbent materials and other spill response tools will also be present on site. Drip trays

and spill berms will also be in place around the transformer and oil handling areas. Predictive noise modelling carried out also indicates the noise generated from these activities are not anticipated to create a nuisance for nearby sensitive receptors and will be monitored by site personnel throughout the work period.

If you have any questions or request further detail regarding the above, please do not hesitate to contact me on 0436 355 378 or alternatively via email scott.lambert1@origin.com.au.

Kind regards,

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