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Re: Cobbora Solar Farm (SSD-29491142)

Dear Jessica

Thank you for consulting with EnergyCo regarding the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed development of the Cobbora Solar Farm (SSD-29491142) (the project) located within the Central-West Orana Renewable Energy Zone (CWO REZ).

EnergyCo provides following comments:

Construction timing

Concurrent or cumulative impacts with the CWO Transmission Project are not anticipated, given current construction schedules. Noting that if construction timings are delayed or extended, additional cumulative impacts could occur.

Cumulative traffic and transport

To ensure coordinated delivery and minimise cumulative traffic and road safety risks, EnergyCo recommends that the proponent:

- Review integrated traffic and haulage scheduling: shared peak demand forecasts, intersection upgrade triggers, and OSOM haulage calendar.

Social impacts

The Social Impact Assessment identifies cumulative impacts, with mitigation reliant on informal coordination. EnergyCo recommends the consideration of a condition of consent requiring the proponent establishes a Coordination Working Group for overlapping projects within the CWO REZ.

Furthermore, EnergyCo recommends that the proponent:

- Engage in workforce accommodation and service demand management: shared headcount registry, coordination with councils/health providers, and REZ-wide community engagement.
- Engage in cumulative bushfire and emergency evacuation planning: joint evacuation modelling, consistent protocols, and unified public communications.

Sincerely,



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