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Subject: Muswellbrook Solar Farm – Emergency Plan Staging

Dear Ms Evans

I refer to your submission dated 3 March 2026, requesting the Planning Secretary's approval to stage the Emergency Plan for the Muswellbrook Solar Farm in accordance with Schedule 2, Condition C3 of the Development Consent (SSD 46543209). I note that the proposal is consistent with the approved staging plan for the project and is also considered necessary as FRNSW indicated they are unable to comment or review interim phase construction phase Emergency Plans or Emergency Services Information Packages.

It is understood that OX 2 will:

- prepare and implement an Emergency Plan for Stage 1A and 1B works that addresses construction-phase risks during development of the southern solar farm;
- prepare the Fire Safety Study in accordance with Condition B29 once the final battery design is confirmed, prior to Stage 2 BESS construction commencing; and
- prepare and submit a final, operational Emergency Plan and ESIP, informed by the FSS and final battery design, for review and written confirmation from FRNSW prior to commencement of Stage 2 BESS construction.

The Department has carefully reviewed the request and is satisfied it is necessary to ensure the timely delivery of the project. Accordingly, as nominee of the Planning Secretary, I agree to the staging of the Emergency Plan as outlined above.

It is also noted that the FSS must be approved by the Planning Secretary, including written confirmation from FRNSW that it meets the requirements, prior to the commencement of Stage 2 including the delivery, storage and/or installation of any batteries on site.

You are reminded that if there are any inconsistencies between the plans and strategies the conditions of approval, the conditions prevail.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Keren Halliday on (02) 82896444.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Iwan Davies'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letter 'I' being a large, stylized capital.

Iwan Davies
Director
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As nominee of the Planning Secretary