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Subject: Muswellbrook Solar Farm – Biodiversity Management Plan

Dear Ms Evans

I refer to your request for approval of the Biodiversity Management Plan (Final V3, dated 10 March 2026). I also acknowledge your response to the Department's review comments and request for additional information including the Conservation Programs, Heritage & Regulation Group (CPHR) of the NSW Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW) feedback.

It is noted that the Additional and Appropriate Measures Plan has been submitted to CPHR and they note:

- *that the AAMs area will be secured a maximum of two years from construction commencement of the project, and it is proposed to be secured as a Conservation Agreement by way of a positive covenant under Section 88E of the NSW Conveyancing Act 1919.*

The Department has carefully reviewed the BMP and is satisfied that it meets the requirements of the relevant conditions in consent SSD-46543209. Accordingly, as nominee of the Planning Secretary, I approve the Biodiversity Management Plan (Final V3, dated 10 March 2026).

You are reminded that you must comply with the requirements of CPHR in relation to the AAMs and the retirement of biodiversity credits. It is also noted that the BMP must be reviewed, updated and approved prior to any works associated with Stage 4a.

Please ensure you make the document publicly available on the project website at the earliest convenience.

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

Yours sincerely



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As nominee of the Planning Secretary