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21/11/2025

Subject: Ridgely Creek BESS (SSD 48756517) – Alternate OSOM Route Request

Dear Ms. Lee

I refer to your submissions dated 28 August 2025 and 11 November 2025 seeking the Planning Secretary's agreement to an alternate OSOM route for an Australian manufactured switch room in accordance with Schedule 2, Condition B4 of the Development Consent for Ridgely Creek BESS (SSD-48756517).

While the EIS describes the route taken by heavy vehicles requiring escort as being from the Port of Newcastle, The Trustee for Ridgely Creek BESS Trust proposed to have the switch room manufactured and transported from Adelaide, South Australia.

I note the OSOM Route Assessment Report:

- has been reviewed, and feedback has been provided, by TfNSW;
- has not been reviewed by Narromine Shire Council; and
- contains the information required by the conditions of approval.

Accordingly, as nominee of the Planning Secretary, I provide conditional agreement to transport the switch room from Adelaide as per the alternative route detailed in the Ridgely Creek BESS OSOM Vehicle Route Assessment dated 5th August 2025 and additional information provided on 11 November 2025.

The Trustee for Ridgely Creek BESS Trust must revise the Traffic Management Plan prior to the switchboard being transported. The revision must address the following:

- include the new delivery route for the switchboard;
- outcomes of feedback from consultation with Narromine Shire Council;
- a complete bridge and structure assessment be undertaken for the proposed OSOM vehicle route to confirm load capacity compliance and identify any potential constraints;
- either police are confirmed as escorting the switch room or alternative traffic mitigation measures to the contraflow are confirmed;

- approvals from the relevant rail authorities are obtained and any traffic mitigation measures that are to be implemented to manage delays in relation to level rail crossings are confirmed; and
- this delivery route is only to be used for the switch room delivery.

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 Scotney Moore on (02) 9274 6342.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Iwan Davies', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Iwan Davies
Director
Energy Assessments

As nominee of the Planning Secretary