



NSW RURAL FIRE SERVICE

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Your reference: SSD-50587460
Our reference: DA20221213012227-SEARS-1

ATTENTION: Nestor Tsambos

Date: Thursday 15 December 2022

Dear Sir/Madam,

Development Application
State Significant – SEARS – Electricity Generating Works
Panorama BESS, (none)

I refer to your correspondence regarding the above proposal which was received by the NSW Rural Fire Service on 06/12/2022.

The proposed development relates to the construction, operation and decommissioning of the Panorama Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) on the subject site. The development involves power generating works, which are considered to be hazardous industry under S8.3.9 of the *Planning for Bushfire Protection (PBP) 2019*. The subject site is cleared and not mapped as bush fire prone land (BFPL). However, aerial mapping indicates the subject site is grassland with a small number of trees along a gully towards the south-west of the site.

Under S8.3.9 of *Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2019*, it is suggested a Fire Safety Study under the DPIE Hazardous Industry Planning and Assessment Papers (HIPAPs) should be prepared. This study should provide details of all credible fire hazards and the associated fire prevention and mitigation measures for the development. The Bush Fire Design Brief (BFDB) must address the appropriate protection measures to be provided commensurate with the bush fire hazards and associated risks, and care should also be taken to ensure that such facilities do not impact on existing developments.

For any queries regarding this correspondence, please contact Elaine Chandler on 1300 NSW RFS.

Yours sincerely,

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