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The Planning Officer
Department of Planning and Environment

Via Major Projects Planning Portal

Dear Ms Homsey,

Draft Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements - Euston Wind Farm (SSD-62466963)

Thank you for your request for advice from the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) on the draft Planning Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARS) for the proposed Euston Windfarm, located approximately 7.6km north of Euston within the Balranald Shire Council LGA (SSD-62466963).

The EPA understands the proposal includes:

- The construction, operation and decommissioning of a wind farm with an estimated capacity of 700 megawatts (MW), a maximum of 96 turbines and a maximum height of 275 metres (to blade tip); and
- A battery energy storage system up to 500 MW /2000 MWh; and
- Ancillary infrastructure including access tracks, road upgrades, underground and overhead electricity cabling, substations, transmission lines and grid connection to the transmission network.

Based on the information provided, if the project is approved it will require an Environment Protection Licence under the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997* for the scheduled activity of 'Electricity Generation'.

We have reviewed the Departments draft SEARs and have no additional information requirements at this stage. The EPA will welcome the opportunity to provide comment upon the proposals environmental impact statement.

If you have any further enquiries about this matter, please contact Mandy Grewal by telephoning 02 6969 0719 or by electronic mail at info@epa.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Jessica Creed', written over a horizontal line.

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