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Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (Major Projects)
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Your reference: SSD-63345458
Our reference: DA20231022004753-EIS & DA Exhibition-1

ATTENTION: Praya Mathema

Date: Monday 23 June 2025

Dear Sir/Madam,

Development Application

**State Significant Development – EIS & DA Exhibition – Electricity Generating Works
Wattle Creek BESS - 1001 CANYONLEIGH RD BRAYTON NSW 2579, 3//DP1120270**

I refer to your correspondence regarding the above proposal which was received by the NSW Rural Fire Service on 06/06/2025.

The NSW RFS has reviewed Appendix 12 of the EIS - Bushfire Threat Assessment prepared by Umwelt Environmental & Social Consultants, report no 22492/R19B. Dated March 2025.

It is noted that the access to the BESS site is approx 3km from the public road network and includes a crossing of the Wollondilly River.

- To provide protection for emergency services personnel and others assisting firefighting activities, where not already incorporated, a fuel reduced zone (ie grass maintained at <100mm) should be provided on either side of the primary internal access.
- The capacity of road surfaces and any bridges/causeways is required to be sufficient to carry fully loaded firefighting vehicles (up to 23 tonnes); bridges and causeways and clearly indicate load rating.

No additional concerns are raised subject to compliance with the recommendations within section 5.2 of the bush fire assessment report being included in the development consent.

For any queries regarding this correspondence, please contact David Webster on 1300 NSW RFS.

Yours sincerely,

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