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**Biodiversity Management Plan (Phase 1) for Narrabri Gas Project (SSD-6456)**

Dear Ms. Dunlop,

I refer to the Biodiversity Management Plan submitted in accordance with Schedule 2, Condition B51 of the Development Consent for Phase 1 of the Narrabri Gas Project (SSD 6456). I also acknowledge your response to the Department's review comments and requests for additional information.

I note the Biodiversity Management Plan has been prepared in consultation with the BCD, Forestry Corporation NSW, Narrabri Shire Council and the Biodiversity Advisory Group.

The Biodiversity Management Plan also contains as attachments the Biodiversity Offset Strategy in accordance with Schedule 2, Condition B51(f) and Koala Research Project in accordance with Schedule 2, Condition B51(g) of the Development Consent.

The Department has carefully reviewed the document and is satisfied that it meets the requirements of the relevant conditions in the consent (SSD 6456).

Accordingly, as nominee of the Planning Secretary, I conditionally approve the Biodiversity Management Plan for Phase 1 (Revision 0B, 11 November 2022).

The Department requires you to review and revise the Biodiversity Management Plan and resubmit to the Department for review and approval, via the Major Projects Portal, prior to Phase 2, and if there are additional activities proposed for Phase 1.

The Department notes that in accordance with the Biodiversity Management Plan, Biodiversity Offset Credits must be retired prior to the commencement of Phase 1 construction activities.

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

Yours sincerely



Stephen O'Donoghue  
Director  
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As nominee of the Planning Secretary