

15 June 2020

Ms Nicole Brewer
Director
Department of Planning, Industry and Environment
GPO Box 39
Sydney NSW 2001

Dear Ms Brewer,

## RE: Bango Wind Farm SSD6686 - condition 18(b) of Schedule 3 biodiversity offset credit liabilities

CWP Renewables Pty Ltd (CWP) is seeking an extension of time from the Secretary of the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) to submit calculated biodiversity offset credit liabilities per condition 18(b) of Schedule 3 of Bango Wind Farm SSD6686. Condition 18 of Schedule 3 states:

- 18. Prior to the commencement of construction, unless the Secretary agrees otherwise, the Applicant must:
  - (a) update the baseline mapping of the vegetation and key habitat within the final disturbance area; and
  - (b) calculate the biodiversity offset credit liabilities for the development in accordance with the Framework for Biodiversity Assessment under the NSW Biodiversity Offset Policy for Major Projects,

in consultation with OEH, and to the satisfaction of the Secretary.

In recent discussions with DPIE, CWP have sought to address comments raised by the Biodiversity Conservation Division (BCD) of the DPIE. As such, CWP are in the process of undertaking further ecological assessment of biodiversity credits based on a linear shaped development assessment methodology.

It is requested that an additional 3 month extension is granted, until 16<sup>th</sup> September 2020, to enable this assessment and further consultation with BCD. If you require additional information or to further discuss please contact me on 0477 056 801 or <a href="mailto:leannecross@cwprenewables.com">leannecross@cwprenewables.com</a>.

Yours sincerely,

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