

Department of Planning, Industry and Environment
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Team Leader
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4 Parramatta Square, 12 Darcy Street, Parramatta NSW 2150



6 May 2021

Dear Mr Davies,

Re: Uungula Wind Farm (SSD6687) Clarifications During Recommendation Period

CWP Renewables Pty Ltd (CWPR) on behalf of Uungula Wind Farm Pty Ltd (UWF) is providing this letter for clarification on two subjects within the Recommended Development Consent and Assessment Report for the Uungula Wind Farm project (SSD6687).

Biodiversity

A review of the Statement of Commitments and Assessment Report identified a potential contradiction with the Development Consent. This has prompted a required amendment to the Statement of Commitments.

The possibility of the threatened flora appearing during micrositing is possible (although a low likelihood) however the Assessment Report and the Statement of Commitments BM001 commit to avoidance. This is not the intention of the Statement of Commitment and is seen in the table which talks to the objective of the mitigation being 'Minimisation' of impacts. The proposed Development Consent conditions as they are written allow for the recalculation of credits during detailed design which could account for previously unrecorded threatened flora (where avoidance is not reasonable and feasible). A process which is supported by BCS in communications with Samantha Wynn.

The project seeks to amend the Statement of Commitment BM001 to state:

"Micro-siting of WTGs and Ancillary Infrastructure will be undertaken to avoid, and if not reasonable and feasible, minimise impacts to habitat trees and previously unrecorded threatened flora species."

This change would need to be reflected in the Department's Assessment Report (Section 5.3, page 39) referring to minimisation, rather than mandatory avoidance.

Heritage

Upon review of the Heritage artefacts stated in Table 2 of Appendix 6 of the Development Consent it was identified there were two Items missing which should be added. The two were recommended for salvage (labels UWF SU98/L1 and UWF SU98/L2) in the NSW Archaeology Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report (Appendix K to the EIS) (page 189) in the statement "It is recommended that a program of archaeological salvage excavation in Survey Unit 98 could be an appropriate form of impact mitigation for Aboriginal cultural values.". Those have been added to an updated figure included below.

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Please contact me with any further questions.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'M Flower', is positioned below the closing 'Yours sincerely,'.

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