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23/09/2021 Dear Ms Cross

## Uungula Wind (SSD-6687) Updated Baseline Mapping

I refer to your letter dated 30 August 2021 providing details on the additional targeted survey effort undertaken for the Eastern Pygmy Possum and Squirrel Glider, which has been submitted in accordance with Condition B21(a) of the development consent for the Uungula Wind Farm (SSD-6687).

The Department has carefully reviewed the information provided, acknowledging that:

- the targeted surveys did not identify presence of either Eastern Pygmy-possum or Squirrel Glider;
- baseline mapping has been updated to remove the species polygons for these two species and therefore no species credits will be generated;
- there are no changes to the baseline mapping presented in the EIS for vegetation mapping, Koala or the Regent Honeyeater;
- the Biodiversity Conservation and Science Directorate of the Department (BCS) have been consulted and accept the updated baseline mapping for both Eastern Pygmy-possum and Squirrel Glider; and
- the final biodiversity credit obligations will be calculated during detailed design of the development, in accordance with Condition B21(b).

Accordingly, the Planning Secretary approves the updated baseline mapping as required under Condition B21(a).

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Natasha Homsey 02 8275 1264 or at natasha.homsey@planning.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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As nominee of the Secretary