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BEN BULLEN WIND FARM (SSD-79294216) CASA (NO) COMMENTS ON SEARS

CASA has reviewed the Aviation Safety section of the Draft SEARs (under 'Hazards and Risks') and the Aviation section (6.3.6) of the Scoping Report for the proposed Ben Bullen Wind Farm.

The Scoping Report advises up to approximately 64 wind turbine generators of tip height up to approximately 252m approximately 25 kilometres north-west of Lithgow and approximately 23km north-east of Bathurst Aerodrome.

The SEARs advise: *"prepare an aviation impact assessment in accordance with Appendix A of the Wind Energy Guideline and the National Airports Safeguarding Framework Guideline D: Managing Wind Turbine Risk to Aircraft;*

assess the impact of the turbines on the safe and efficient aerial application of agricultural fertilisers and pesticides in the vicinity of the turbines and transmission line".

The Scoping Report (4.1) advises: *"A detailed assessment in accordance with the regulations, and consultation with the relevant agencies (including the Civil Aviation Safety Authority and Air Services Australia), will be undertaken as part of the preparation of the EIS".*

The Draft SEARs are satisfactory, and CASA has and no additional assessment requirements.

Yours sincerely

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