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Subject: Limondale BESS – Out of Hours Request

Dear Mr Quach,

I refer to your letter dated 22 November 2024 and email correspondence dated 26 November 2024 requesting approval for extended construction hours for the Limondale BESS under Schedule 3, Condition 12 of the project approval (SSD-8025 as modified). You request approval to undertake construction at the Limondale BESS site during the following hours:

TransGrid construction works:

- Monday – Friday 6am to 11:59pm;
- Saturday 0:00 – 11:59pm;
- Sundays and public holidays 6am – 7pm;
- 15 nights between March 20025 and end of May 2025.

All other works:

- Monday – Friday 6am to 6pm;
- Saturday 6am to 6pm;
- Sundays and public holidays 6am to 6pm;
- from December 2024 to July 2025.

As detailed in your email dated 4 December 2024, you are no longer seeking an extension of hours for deliveries and will continue to be undertaken during the standard construction hours described in Schedule 3, Condition 12 of the project approval, being:

- Monday – Friday 7am to 6pm;
- Saturday 8am to 1pm;
- At no time on Sundays and Public Holidays.

The Department notes:

- extended hours will assist in mitigating the effects of working during the heat during summer and autumn months in a remote location.
- there will be additional flexibility in workforce rostering and travel to and from the worksite.
- grid connection works will be completed during night hours when the solar farm is not generating energy. This will improve safety for workers and avoid interrupting daytime generation and operation.
- the nearest privately owned receiver is 4 kilometres from the boundary of the BESS where most works will be undertaken.
- there is significantly less extended hours construction activity than during the original solar farm construction.

- extended construction hours were previously approved for the construction of the solar farm, being Monday to Friday 6am – 6pm, Saturday 6am – 6pm and allowing construction on Sundays and NSW public holidays.

Accordingly, the Secretary approves a variation to the construction hours to allow construction to take place during the following hours and dates:

TransGrid construction works:

- Monday – Saturday 06:00 to 23:59
- Sundays and public holidays 06:00 – 19:00
- no more than 15 nights between 1 March 2025 and 31 May 2025.

All other construction work:

- Monday – Saturday 06:00 to 18:00
- Sundays and public holidays 06:00 to 18:00
- from the date of this letter to 31 July 2025.

This approval is subject to the following requirements:

- RWE Australia is to maintain a record of the number of nights that TransGrid is undertaking construction works between 1 March 2025 and 31 May 2025 to ensure that activities are not carried out for more than 15 nights during this period.
- if any complaint is received, appropriate mitigation measures are to be identified, and the Department and the complainant are to be informed of the measures that will be implemented to address the complaint. Should any further complaints be received regarding works in the extended construction hours, this approval to extend construction hours may be revoked by the Department.
- where a complaint regarding noise is received, attended noise monitoring will be undertaken to investigate the noise and reduce noisy activities as soon as feasibly actionable.
- a record of any complaints made, or non-compliances identified during monitoring, regarding works undertaken during extended construction hours must be provided to the Department within 24 hours of the complaint/non-compliance.
- all work is to be undertaken in accordance with the requirements of Schedule 3, Condition 13 (noise) and Condition 16 (lighting) of the project approval.
- all mitigation measures proposed for traffic, noise and lighting must be adopted and implemented.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Katie Weekes on (02) 4927 3223.

Yours sincerely



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As nominee of the Secretary