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Subject: Kiar Battery Energy Storage System

Dear Sir/Madam

The Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure – Crown Lands has reviewed the proposal. The Department notes that Kiar Ridge Road is included in the proposal as an alternate access to the project site. The Department notes that Kiar Ridge road is a Crown road.

For the use and access of Crown roads within or adjacent to the project footprint, the following considerations apply:

- If Crown roads are required for access, they may need to be transferred to Council, or an application made to close and purchase the roads. Interim tenure may be required to avoid delays.
- If the proposal necessitates the acquisition of Crown land/roads, this must be undertaken in accordance with the *Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991* (LAJTC Act).
- Authority to use, traverse, access, or construct infrastructure on Crown land / roads is required under the *Crown Land Management Act 2016* and/or the *Roads Act 1993*. It is recommended that the proponent contact Crown Lands as early as possible to discuss and initiate the necessary processes to authorise the use of the Crown road.

Further information and guidance can be found at the following links:

- **Crown Roads and Enclosure Permits:** [Crown Roads Information](#)
- **Landowner's Consent for Crown Land and Roads:** [Landowner's Consent](#)
- **Compulsory Acquisition:** [Compulsory Acquisition Information](#)

If the proponent requires further information, or has any questions, please contact Stuart Dayman, in Crown Lands, at stuart.dayman@crownland.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in grey ink, appearing to read "P. Draper".

Peter Draper,

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