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Re: Request for revised SEARs for SSD-8847 Dunedoo Solar Farm

Dear Natasha,

I refer to the Dunedoo Solar Farm proposal (SSD 8847) and request the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (the Department) issue the updated Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs) for its respective Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

On 24 October 2017, ib vogt GmbH on behalf of Sun Spot 4 Pty Ltd (Proponent), lodged an application with the Department to obtain the SEARs for the Dunedoo Solar Farm, which were issued on 24 November 2017. The EIS was not lodged within 2 years of the SEARs issue date due to grid connection challenges. Upon further consultation with the Department on 4 March 2020, a revised Scoping Report was requested from the Proponent to address grid connection options for the project.


Attached to this letter is the Scoping Report for the proposal, which updates the original Preliminary Environmental Assessment submitted in 2017. The Scoping Report is the supporting documentation for the issuing of the updated SEARs and maintains essentially the same development as originally presented:

- a utility scale solar farm that would have a generation capacity of 66 MW;
- Battery Storage (BS);
- on site substation; and
- electrical transmission infrastructure connecting to the Essential Energy Dunedoo Zone substation.

The EIS has so far been prepared in its entirety in accordance with the requirements of the SEARs issued in 24 November 2017. Upon receiving the updated SEARs, the EIS will incorporate any additional assessments required to finalise the lodgement.

Should you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me on 0417 787 460 or Lin.Hwong@ibvogt.com.

Kind regards,
ib vogt GmbH

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