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Dear Bruce

## Wollar Solar Farm (SSD 9254) Secretary's Discretion - Road Upgrades

I refer to your request dated 1 September 2020 seeking the Planning Secretary's discretion to consider removal of the obligation for the Wollar Road / Barigan Road Basic Right Turn (BAR) and Basic Left Turn (BAL) treatments required under condition 8 of Schedule 3 and Appendix 4 of the development consent for the Wollar Solar Farm (SSD 9254).

## The Department notes that:

- you have undertaken a Road Safety Audit (RSA) in consultation with Transport for NSW and Mid-Western Regional Council that concluded:
  - the Fitzpatrick Bridge (on approach from Wollar) was widened to accommodate two lanes in 2017 and improved road safety;
  - the posted speed at this intersection location is 50 km/h;
  - the Barigan Road upgrade works required under the consent address road and traffic safety management issues for the Wollar Road / Barigan Road intersection;
- both Transport for NSW and Mid-Western Regional Council have reviewed the RSA and indicated that the BAR/BAL intersection upgrade is not required provided the Barigan Road upgrade works required under the consent are completed;
- the consent requires road upgrades to be undertaken to the satisfaction of the relevant roads authority.

The Department has also consulted the relevant roads authorities, Transport for NSW and Mid-Western Regional Council, and both have confirmed they are satisfied with your proposed request to remove the obligation for the BAR/BAL intersection upgrade on the condition that you strictly adhere to the Barigan Road and remaining road upgrade requirements as set out in condition 8 of Schedule 3 and Appendix 4 of the development consent.

On this basis, the Planning Secretary, agrees the obligation under the consent for Basic Right (BAR) turn and Basic Left (BAL) turn treatments at Wollar Road / Barigan Road intersection is no longer required. The obligations for the other road upgrades required under the consent, remain unchanged.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact May Patterson on 8275 1190.

Yours sincerely

Nicole Brewer Director

Energy Assessments

As nominee of the Planning Secretary