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Natasha Homsey
NSW Department of Planning Industry & Environment

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Dear Natasha,

RE: Secretary Approval to stage the development of Wollar Solar Farm under Schedule 4 – Condition 3 of Development Consent

Wollar Solar Farm was granted Development Consent by the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces on 4 February, 2020, subject to conditions. Wollar Solar Development Pty Ltd (WSD) is the proponent. Since then, WSD has completed public road works to Barigan Road to the satisfaction of Council and in accordance with Condition Sch 3-8.

WSD is now preparing to construct the Northern Access Road.

WSD is requesting Secretary approval to stage the submission of strategies, plans and programs to the Department of Planning Industry and Environment (DPIE) in accordance with Schedule 4 Condition 3 of the development consent. The project will be developed in 4 stages:

Stage 1) upgrade of Barigan Road – Complete in accordance with Schedule 3 Condition 8.

Stage 2) Northern Access Road:

Construction of the unsealed road (and associated works) from Barigan Road to the site of the proposed Wollar Solar Farm substation and the Wollar Solar Farm. See Appendix A for location. Construction of Stage 2 is expected to begin in early August 2021 and be complete in late October 2021.

Stage 3A) Substation:

Construction of the 33kV/330kV Substation including associated civil, structural, connection and associated works.

See Appendix A for location.

Construction of the Substation Works is expected to begin in November 2021 and be complete in November 2022.

Stage 3B) Solar Farm:

Construction of the solar farm and all remaining aspects of development (except for potential road upgrades on the southern section of Barigan Road as well as Maree River Road). See Appendix A for location.

Early works for the solar farm are expected to begin in September 2021 and be complete in November 2021, but will not involve any Construction as defined in the development consent.

Construction of the solar farm is expected to begin in December 2021 and practical completion is expected in April 2023.

Stage 4) Potential upgrades to the southern section of Barigan Road and also Maree River Road:

This stage will only occur if the southern access route to site is required to be utilised as per the conditions of consent.

In accordance with Schedule 4 Condition 3, WSD proposes to submit documentation to the DPIE as per the above development stages, including the Haulage Plan (required under the approved Traffic Management Plan), Accommodation and Employment Strategy, and Final Layout Plan. The Environmental Management Strategy, Biodiversity Management Plan, Traffic Management Plan and Heritage Management Plan for Stages 1-4 have already been submitted and approved by DPIE.

In accordance with Schedule 4 Condition 6, the Work as Executed Plans for development stages 1- 3 will be submitted prior to operation of the Wollar Solar Farm.

Wollar Solar Development appreciates the Secretary's consideration of this request. Our contractor is due to commence the stage 2 works on 2nd August 2021. Should the Secretary have any questions, please contact myself on the contact details below.

Yours sincerely,

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Appendix A – Staging Diagram

