

Our ref: SSD-9255-PA-42

Mr Tim Greenaway

Project Director

ACEN Australia

By email: tim.greenaway@acenrenewables.com.au

19/12/2022

Subject: New England Solar Farm - Biodiversity Management Plan

Dear Mr Greenaway

I refer to your submission requesting approval of the revised Biodiversity Management Plan (BMP) (version 8, 15 September 2022) for the New England Solar Farm (SSD 9255) under condition 11 of Schedule 3 of the consent, following an Independent Environmental Audit.

I note the BMP:

- has been updated to reflect the current Applicant name and other administrative updates;
- provides justification for the timing of credit retirement;
- includes the procedure for native vegetation screening of N1; and
- includes evidence of previous consultation with the Biodiversity Conservation Division.

Accordingly, as nominee of the Planning Secretary, I approve the BMP (version 8, 15 September 2022).

You are reminded that if there are any inconsistencies between the BMP and the conditions of approval, the conditions prevail.

Please ensure you make the document publicly available on the project website at the earliest convenience.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Julia Green on 9585 6409 or at Julia.a.green@dpie.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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As nominee of the Planning Secretary