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Dear Mr Kim

Bonshaw Solar Farm (SSD-9438) Request for Additional Information

I refer to the assessment for the Bonshaw Solar Farm. After careful consideration, the Department is requesting that you provide additional information that effectively addresses the issues below.

• Traffic and access routes

- o provide an assessment of the traffic impacts of the all phases of the development on all proposed access routes and key intersections identifying any improvements required to maintain road safety and associated assessment of the impact of any additional road improvements (including biodiversity and heritage);
- o provide swept paths at key intersections for the largest vehicle that will traverse the proposed access routes, including the Bruxner Highway access;
- o update the project layout to include onsite parking and laydown areas:
- confirm if the access road from the site access point to the proposed site buildings and ancillary infrastructure area is wholly located within the project boundary (including additional landowners consent if required);
- o provide the number of heavy vehicles required during operation;

Biodiversity assessment

 provide an addendum to the BDAR to include a species polygon and appropriate justification for the four species that will be impacted by the proposal, or justification for the species credits (the Department notes that only one species polygon has been prepared as per Figure 5.3 in the BDAR, and the area of impact to calculate the species credits is not consistent for all species)

Flooding

o provide further evidence that the project will not impact overland flows (including further consideration of drop-down fencing); and

Water supply

o provide further evidence of the ability of identified potential water suppliers for the project to meet the necessary water demands.

Please provide the information, or notification that the information will not be provided to the Department by Wednesday 13 May 2020. If you are unable to provide the requested information within this timeframe, you are requested to provide, and commit to, a timeframe detailing the provision of this information.

If you have any questions, please contact Javier Canon who can be contacted on 02 9373 2821 or at Javier.Canon@planning.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely,

Director

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