

Department of Planning and Environment



Our ref: SSD-9679

Meredith Anderson
Development Manager
Engie Australia & New Zealand
By email

15/11/2022

Subject: Amendment of Hills of Gold Wind Farm Development Application (SSD 9679)

Dear Ms Anderson

I refer to your letter submitted to the Department on 20 October 2022 in line with the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021*, seeking further amendments to the Hills of Gold Wind Farm project in response to feedback from the community and Council to date.

The Department has carefully considered the information provided and accordingly, I as delegate of the Independent Planning Commission agree that the proposed amendments may be made to the project application, including:

- upgrading and using Crawney Road for oversize/overmass deliveries to the site;
- removing the Devil's Elbow bypass transport option from the proposal;
- revising transport route options through Nundle;
- adding 22 additional land parcels to the application;
- removing turbine WTG41 and relocating 20 turbines within 350 m of its previous location;
- expanding and sourcing material from a quarry inside Hanging Rock State Forest;
- an option to locate the substation and battery energy storage system at an alternate location
- collocating the 33 kV and 330 kV powerlines in the wind farm site; and
- minor amendments to ancillary infrastructure, including access track locations.

Given the extent of changes to the proposal and the time elapsed since the original exhibition of the EIS, the Department will be publicly exhibiting the amendment report for at least 28 days.

If you have any questions, please contact Anthony Ko on 8217 2022 or via email at anthony.ko@planning.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Nicole Brewer', with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Nicole Brewer
Director
Energy Assessments