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The Planning Secretary
NSW Department of Planning and Environment
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CC: Nicole Brewer, Iwan Davies, Wayne Jones

Dear Ms Fishburn

Re: EnergyConnect (NSW – Western Section) (SSI-10040) – Planning Secretary satisfaction regarding mitigation measure implementation for road upgrades (Condition D38)

I refer to EnergyConnect (NSW – Western Section) (SSI-10040) (the Project), which the NSW Minister for Planning and Public Spaces approved on 28 September 2021 under section 5.19 of the NSW *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

This letter sets out the Project's approach to ensuring the Planning Secretary's satisfaction concerning implementing mitigation measures for site access point installation, as required by condition D38 and as discussed with the Department on 5 May 2022.

Condition D38 requires, prior to commencing construction, the Planning Secretary's satisfaction regarding the implementation of mitigation measures in the Traffic Strategy for road upgrades. Condition D37 defines site access points as road upgrades.

Transgrid notes that the mitigation measures in the Traffic Strategy are fundamentally just typical environmental controls routinely implemented for minor construction activities (minimise disturbance extent, erosion and sediment control, dust control, etc). The Project is committed to implementing all necessary mitigation measures during the site access point installation and use.

As discussed, the Project will prepare compliance statements for the mitigation measures for each site access point, or groups of site access points. The Project will lodge these statements with the Department at the completion of site access point installation. The statements will include the mitigation measures from the Traffic Strategy and relevant implementation details for each. Where a mitigation measure applies prior to or during the installation of the site access point, the statement will confirm that the measure has been implemented as required and as per relevant plans. Where a mitigation measure relates to the use of a site access point, the statement will confirm that the access point will be used as per the requirement and relevant plans. The Project will provide the compliance statements to the Department via the Major Project's Portal.

Transgrid understands that compliance statements prepared and lodged as described above will satisfy the Planning Secretary, as required by condition D38, no further assessment by the Department will be required, and use of the access point for construction can commence (subject to meeting all other relevant conditions of the Infrastructure Approval). Transgrid would greatly appreciate it if the Department could confirm that the process outlined above is acceptable and satisfies the Planning Secretary in accordance with condition D38.

Thank you for considering this request. If you wish to discuss this request, please do not hesitate to contact the Project's Environmental Manager John Fisher (John.Fisher@transgrid.com.au or 0448 514 073).

Yours Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Yousseph Ters".

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