

Mr Ian Smith Project Manager Snowy Hydro Limited

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Dear Mr Smith

Hunter Power Project (SSI-12590060) Planning Agreement - Extension of Time

I refer to your request (SSI-12590060-PA-36) for an extension of time to enter into a Planning Agreement with Cessnock City Council (Council) as required under the conditions of approval for the **Hunter Power Project (SSI-12590060)**.

Under Condition A25, Schedule 2 of the approval the Planning Agreement must be entered into six months after the commencement of the development. Given the development commenced on the 29 March 2022, Snowy Hydro Limited is required to enter into the Planning Agreement by 29 August 2022.

The Department notes that negotiations with Council have progressed, however additional time is needed to finalise the agreement. Council have indicated that the agreement is likely to be finalised by December 2022.

Accordingly, the Secretary has granted an extension of time until 31 December 2022 to enter into the Planning Agreement with Council.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Jack Turner on 9995 5387.

Yours sincerely,

Steve O'Donoghue

Director, Resource Assessments

As nominee of the Planning Secretary