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Via Email

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Subject: Mount Piper to Wallerawang Transmission - Appointment of Dr Jodie Benton and Harrison Rochford as Aboriginal Heritage experts

Dear Mr Owens,

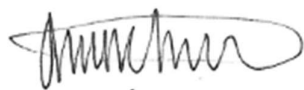
I refer to your letter dated 3 June 2026 requesting the Planning Secretary's endorsement of Dr Jodie Benton and Harrison Rochford to prepare an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan in accordance with Schedule 2, Condition B27 of the approval for the Mount Piper to Wallerawang Transmission Project (SSI-70279722; Approval).

The Department notes that Dr Jodie Benton and Harrison Rochford will be co-authors for the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan.

The Department has reviewed the nominations and information you have provided and is satisfied that Dr Jodie Benton and Harrison Rochford are suitably qualified and experienced. Accordingly, as nominee of the Planning Secretary, I endorse the appointment of Dr Jodie Benton and Harrison Rochford as the Aboriginal Heritage experts, in accordance with Condition B27 (a) of the Approval.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact me.

Yours sincerely



Thomas Minchin

**Team Leader Transmission Post Approval**

*As nominee of the Planning Secretary*