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Dear Mr Borrelli

Narrabri to North Star (SSI 7474) Addendum to the Biodiversity Assessment Report – Extension Request

I refer to your letter dated 17 January 2022 requesting an extension to the timeframe for the submission of reporting on the amendments to the ecosystem and species credit requirements and the final construction footprint for the Narrabri to North Star Phase 1 project, required under Conditions E19 and E24, respectively, of CSSI 7474.

I note that under Conditions E19 and E24 this information is to be submitted to the Planning Secretary within six (6) months of the commencement of construction or as agreed by the Planning Secretary. I also note that the Department previously granted an extension of this timeframe on 10 October 2021 and again on 12 November 2021, bringing the date for submission to 17 January 2022. I note that you are now requesting this timeframe be extended to 28 February 2022.

I understand that ARTC is actively working with Environment, Energy and Science (EES) and Department of Agriculture, Water and Environment (DAWE) as part of ongoing consultation as required by Condition E19. I also understand that feedback has not been received by EES or DAWE at this stage and is expected to be provided to ARTC by the end of January 2022.

I consider that adequate justification has been provided for the extension of time request to satisfy Conditions E19 and E24.

Therefore, as nominee of the Planning Secretary, I approve an extension of the timeframe required to satisfy these conditions. The new submission date is now 28 February 2022.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Grant Brown at grant.brown@dpie.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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Jake Shackleton Director – Infrastructure Management

As nominee of the Planning Secretary