

Director-Energy Assessments

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Dear Director,

Objection to Application No. SSD-8911 by Sundown Solar Pty Ltd

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to express my thoughts regarding the proposed development of a 360MW solar farm, battery energy storage, and grid connection at Sturmans Road Spring Mountain by Sundown Solar Pty Ltd, application no. SSD-8911.

Firstly, I would like to commend Sundown Solar Pty Ltd for their ambitious project that aims to contribute significantly to renewable energy generation. I truly believe that renewable energy initiatives are crucial for our sustainable future, and a solar farm of this scale can make a positive impact on our environment and community.

While I am in favor of the broader concept of the solar farm, I do have some concerns about the current access route chosen via Spring Mountain Road and Sturmans Road. I understand the importance of choosing the most suitable access route for such a project, and I am confident that there are alternative routes available that may better address the concerns of local residents and businesses.

In particular, I would like to emphasize the need for more direct access to the proposed solar farm. Not only will this help minimize adverse effects on the community during construction, but it is also crucial for enabling our rural fire services to respond quickly in case of any emergencies. By carefully considering alternative access routes, we can strike a better balance between the project's success and the well-being of the local community.

With these considerations in mind, I kindly request that the application no. SSD-8911 undergoes further review and amendment to address the concerns mentioned above. By implementing robust assessment processes and considering more suitable access routes, we can ensure that the project aligns more harmoniously with the community's needs and aspirations.

Once again, I applaud the initiative taken by Sundown Solar Pty Ltd in advancing renewable energy infrastructure, and I believe that with some adjustments, this project has the potential to be a valuable asset to the community. I trust that, together, we can find a solution that benefits both the development and the residents.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to a positive outcome that reflects the shared values of progress and community welfare.

Yours sincerely,

Rowan Bell