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Dear Mr Robinson

Subject: Bowmans Creek Wind Farm (SSD10315) – Advice on EIS

Thank you for the opportunity to provide advice on the above matter. This is a response from the NSW Department of Regional NSW – Mining, Exploration & Geoscience (MEG) – Geological Survey of NSW (GSNSW).

MEG has reviewed the Environmental Impact Statement for the proposed Bowmans Creek Wind Farm. We note that the proponent states retirement of ecosystem and species credits are required to offset the residual impacts of the project. MEG has no concerns or issues to raise regarding potential for sterilisation of mineral or extractive resources.

Queries regarding the above information should be directed to the GSNSW - Land Use team at <u>landuse.minerals@geoscience.nsw.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely,

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