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Dear Mr Archdale

Exhibition of Environmental Assessment for Bodangora Wind Farm Project (MP 10_0157)

I refer to your letter of 4 June 2012 to Ms Liz Rogers, NSW Trade & Investment, requesting comment on the above proposal. To clarify, Ms Rogers is within the Office of Agriculture Sustainability & Food Security within the Department of Primary Industries (DPI), which is in turn a separate department within the Trade & Investment, Regional Infrastructure & Services portfolio (T&I). This response gives the advice of relevant agencies within DPI. An internal referral of your letter has been made to Resources & Energy, which is a separate division within T&I. That division may make a separate response on the application.

The NSW Office of Water advises that it has no objections to the proposal, and recommends the Statement of Commitments be included as conditions should any approval be issued. For further information please contact Jodie Dabovic, Planning and Assessment Coordinator (Newcastle office) on 4904 2571 or jodie.dabovic@water.nsw.gov.au.

Agriculture NSW has not identified any particular issues with the project but recommends, when considering the application, that reference be made to Department's guideline: *Infrastructure Proposals for Rural Lands*. This guideline is part of a series designed to help consent authorities, consultants and proponents identify potential agricultural impacts, and assess whether such proposals can avoid conflict with existing agricultural developments; and protect valuable food and fibre production resources. The guidelines are available at: http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0020/359030/infrastructure-proposals-on-rural-lands.pdf.

For further information please contact Mary Kovac, Resource Management Officer (Dubbo office) on 68811250 or Mary.Kovac@industry.nsw.gov.au.

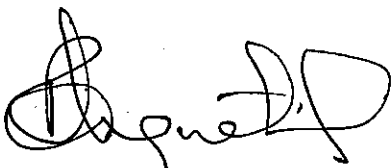
Fisheries NSW has reviewed the proposal in accordance with the provisions of the *Fisheries Management Act 1994* and relevant policies and guidelines applicable to the application of the Act. *Fisheries NSW* aims to ensure that developments achieve no net loss of aquatic habitat and fisheries resources. It is noted that the environmental assessment has made reference to the policy document *Why Do Fish Need to Cross the Road? Fish Passage Requirements for Waterway Crossings (2003)* in relation to the construction of waterway crossings and is satisfied that this development should not result in any loss of aquatic habitat or fisheries resources.

For further information please contact David Ward, Fisheries Conservation Manager (Calala office) on 6763 1255 or 0429 908 856, or david.ward@industry.nsw.gov.au.

As per separate correspondence dated 26 July 2012 to your Department from Crown Lands, it is advised that there are various Crown roads within the overall project site, some of which are unformed and held under Enclosure Permits. Enclosure Permits do not convey any rights to the landholder to construct a road. The proponent should be made aware in any approval of the application that any use of such roads will require approval from Crown Lands and that early contact in this regard should be made with Crown Lands. Contact in this regard can be made with Elizabeth Burke, Property Management Project Officer (Dubbo office) on 6883 5410 or Elizabeth.Burke@lands.nsw.gov.au.

I note also that the Central West Catchment Management Authority has commented on the proposal by separate letter dated 3 August 2012.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Phil Anquetil', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Phil Anquetil
Executive Director, Business Services