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Your ref: Collector Wind Farm MOD 2

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MODIFICATION TO DEVELOPMENT – COLLECTOR WIND FARM MOD 2

Dear Natasha,

Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) refers to your correspondence dated 15 October 2018 regarding the subject development application.

RMS has completed an assessment of the development, based on the information provided and focussing on the impact to the State Road Network. For this development, the key State road is the Hume Highway.

RMS notes the subject modification primarily seeks to alter the proposed substation footprint, connections to the transmission lines and proposed upgrades to the local road network. The proposed modification to consent does not appear to have a significant impact to the State road network.

RMS will not object to the development application subject to the following comments being included in the conditions of development consent:

- The developer must apply for, and obtain a Road Occupancy Licence (ROL) from the RMS Traffic Operations Unit (TOU) prior to commencing roadworks on a State Road or any other works that impact a travel lane of a State Road or impact the operation of traffic signals on any road. The application will require a Traffic Management Plan (TMP) to be prepared by a person who is certified to prepare Traffic Control Plans. Should the TMP require a reduction of the speed limit, a Speed Zone Authorisation will also be required from the TOU. The developer shall submit the ROL application 10 business days prior to commencing work. It should be noted that receiving an approval for the ROL within this 10 business day period is dependant upon RMS receiving an accurate and compliant TMP.

Note: An approved ROL does not constitute an approval to commence works until an authorisation letter for the works has been issued by RMS Project Manager.

- Prior to transporting any oversized or overmass loads, the proponent is required to obtain a permit from the RMS Special Permits Unit in Glen Innes (Contact number 1300 656 371).

RMS strongly recommends that the proponent liaise with the Special Permits Unit early in the process to assess the appropriateness of the route and identify potential issues. Early consideration of these matters may identify that the proposed route is not viable, or simply help to avoid unexpected costs and delays at a later stage of the project. It should be noted that the issuing of Special Permit may be subject to route and bridge assessments.

Conditions of development consent relating to road work, traffic control facilities and other structures on the classified road network contrary to those outlined above are unlikely to receive RMS consent under the Roads Act, 1993.

RMS highlights that in determining the application under Part 4 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979, it is the consent authority's responsibility to consider the environmental impacts of any road works which are ancillary to the development. This includes any works which form part of the proposal and/or any works which are deemed necessary to include as requirements in the conditions of development consent. Depending on the level of environmental assessment undertaken to date and nature of the works, the consent authority may require the developer to undertake further environmental assessment for any ancillary road works.

Upon determination of this matter, it would be appreciated if the Department could email a copy of the Notice of Determination to RMS via development.southern@rms.nsw.gov.au.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Chris Millet', is positioned above the printed name.

Chris Millet
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