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Dear Iwan

## Limondale Solar Farm Project (SSD 8025) - Environmental Impact Statement Exhibition

I refer to your email dated 21 April 2017 inviting the Division of Resources & Geoscience (DRG) to provide comments on the Limondale Solar Farm Project (the Project) (SSD 8025) – Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) Exhibition submitted by Overland Sun Farming Pty Ltd (the Proponent).

DRG has reviewed the adequacy of information submitted in relation to the abovementioned application and provides the following advice.

DRG raised matters to be addressed as part of the Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs) issued for the Project in relation to interactions with heavy mineral sand deposits, active mineral exploration and operating mines. DRG recommended that the applicant consult with all affected exploration licence holders and provide a record of consultation and consultation outcomes.

The redesigned project layout has removed the eastern portion that was entirely within Exploration Licence 7626 (Act 1992) (EL 7626) held by Iluka Resources Limited (Iluka). Consultation between the Proponent and Iluka has been undertaken in relation to location of infrastructure and mineral exploration in the vicinity of the proposal, resulting in a draft agreement between the parties, with a record of consultation provided in the EIS.

DRG is satisfied that the cumulative impacts on heavy mineral sands exploration raised in the SEARs have been adequately addressed.

Should you have any enquires regarding this matter please contact Adam Banister, Acting Senior Advisory Officer, Royalties & Advisory Services on (02) 4931 6439.

Yours sincerely

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