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Dear Iwan

**Nevertire Solar Farm Project (SSD 8072) - Exhibition**

I refer to your email dated 23 February 2017 inviting the Department of Industry - Division of Resources & Energy (the Division) to provide comments on the Nevertire Solar Farm Project (SSD 7680) submitted by Nevertire Solar Pty Ltd (the Proponent).

The Division has reviewed and assessed the adequacy of information provided in the '*Nevertire Solar Farm - Environmental Impact Statement*' dated February 2017 and provides the following comments within its area of responsibility:

The Division has not identified any potential resource sterilisation issues.

The Division believes the proposed Nevertire Solar Farm as it aligns with Government policy to increase renewable energy generation, jobs and investment in the State, specifically the proposal is aligned to Government's NSW Renewable Energy Action Plan, and would deliver positive social aspects, drive investment and growth in regional NSW and provide alternate income streams. Increasing solar energy in NSW will assist the Government in meeting its commitment to support the national Renewable Energy Target of 33,000 gigawatt hours (GWh) by 2020.

The 105 megawatt (MW) solar farm has an estimated capital investment value of approximately \$194 million and would support up to 300 jobs during the peak construction period.

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

Yours sincerely

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