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By email: anthony.ko@planning.nsw.gov.au

Dear Mr Ko

Re Hay Solar project - SSD No 8113

I refer to your electronic mail of 25 August 2017 to the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) requesting our comments on the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) prepared for the proposed Hay Solar Project.

The EPA has responsibilities for pollution control and environmental management for scheduled activities under the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997*. Based on the information provided the proposed activity is not a scheduled activity under the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997* and the proposed solar farm does not require an Environment Protection Licence.

Under the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997* Hay Shire Council will be the Appropriate Regulatory Authority for pollution control and environmental management issues for this proposal should it be approved.

On this basis the EPA has no further comments to make in relation to this proposal, and requires no further consultation in relation to this application.

If you have any further enquiries about this matter please contact me by telephoning 02 6969 0700.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'C. Bretherton', followed by the date '8.9.2017' also in blue ink.

CRAIG BRETHERTON
Manager Regional Operations South West
Environment Protection Authority