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Our ref: ER21209 Your ref: 10/11837

Attention: James Archdale

Dear James

SUBJECT: EXHIBITION OF ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR WHITE ROCK WIND FARM (APPLICATION REFERENCE MP 10_0160)

I refer to your letter dated 20 May 2011 referring to the exhibition of the Environmental Assessment for the White Rock Wind Farm. The NSW Office of Water (NOW) provides the following advice on the basis that the existing legislative provisions under Part 3A of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* apply to this proposal.

NOW has noted that the information it requested under Director Generals Requirements (DGRs), regarding a detailed assessment of surface water and groundwater within the project area has not been provided in the EA. Due to the type of development and potential risk to water sources identified, NOW has no objection to project approval. However, due to the absence of adequate information NOW requests that the following conditions be addressed prior to project commencement.

Recommended Conditions

1) Groundwater

Any interception or the use of groundwater may require a Licence under relevant NSW water legislation. All proposed groundwater works including bores for the purpose of investigation, extraction, dewatering, testing or monitoring will be identified and relevant approval(s) obtained from NOW prior to installation.

2) CEMP

The CEMP will be provided to NOW for review and is to include mitigation measures for potential contamination of surface and groundwaters, prior to project commencement.

If you require further information please contact Jodie Dabovic, Planning and Assessment Coordinator on (02) 4904 2571.

Yours sincerely

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