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Ref: 12/07474 Your Ref: Anna Timbrell MP 10_0034

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Dear Sir / Madam,

SUBJECT: EXHIBITION OF ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR CROOKWELL 3 WIND FARM

I refer to your letter of 24th October 2012 regarding the exhibition of the environmental assessment for Crookwell 3 Wind Farm and the associated Director General's requirements.

After reviewing the project environmental assessment, you should note that the following Crown land and roads are impacted by Wind Farm turbines or infrastructure and the associated requirements:

Crookwell 3 South:

- An internal access track traverses Lot 7300 DP 1139548 which is held under Permissive Occupancy 1517 for grazing by D.O. Blewitt refer to Diagram "A".
- Crown Lands will require the track to be authorised via suitable easements with compensation and fees claimed in the normal manner.

Crookwell 3 East:

- The blades from turbine A13 potentially impact on use of the adjoining Crown road by the public and as such may become breaches of Section 5(1) of the Roads Act 1993 refer to Diagrams "B1 &B2".
- In these circumstances, Crown Lands request that turbine A13 is relocated so that there is no impact on the Crown road nor is traffic impeded. If the turbine is unable to be located, the affected section of Crown road should be subject of a road closure and purchase application.
- The concrete batching plant between turbines A13 and A17 encroaches on to the Crown road on the south western boundary of Lot 290 DP 750052. As an impediment of this nature (albeit to be in place during the construction phase) will impact on road usage by the public and thus constitutes a breach of Section 5(1) of the Roads Act 1993.
- Therefore, the concrete batching plant should be relocated off the Crown road.
- Internal Wind Farm access tracks traverse Crown roads in several locations as marked in Diagrams "B1 & B2". Given these tracks are to be 10 metres wide during construction (and 5-7 metres thereafter) they cannot be construed as minor works for which Crown Lands may be prepared to consent to.
- Crown Lands preferred position is the affected roads be closed and purchased by adjoining landowner/s. If closure is not possible, the next option is for suitable easements are created for the road crossings and works with compensation fees claimed in the normal manner. Failing the creation of suitable easements, it may be

possible to authorise the works via licences granted under the Crown Lands Act 1989 with rent assessed on a current market value basis.

If you have any further enquiries please contact John Flarrety, Group Leader, Goulburn phone number (02) 4824 3714 or Mobile 0427 108 717.

Yours sincerely

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DIAGRAM "A"





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