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Sent:	Thursday, 2 January 2020 4:28 PM
То:	Rob Beckett; Javier Canon
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Subject:	RE: Modification Application for Yarrabee Solar Farm (SSD-9237-Mod-1)

Dear Rob,

### Notice of Exhibition Yarrabee Solar Project (SSD 9237 MOD 1)

Thank you for your submission of the Modification Report (the Report) for the above development to Fire & Rescue NSW (FRNSW) for agency review and comment.

It is understood that the Report has been prepared by SLR Consulting Australia on behalf of Reach Solar Energy (the Applicant) to address; an increase in proposed energy storage capacity from 35 MW/70 MWh to 400 MW/800 MWh, and changes to site access and parking.

It is noted that *Section 5.1 Hazard and Risk* of the Report identifies the potential fire and explosion risks associated with containerised Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS), with *Appendix A Hazard and Risk Review* further stating that the decentralisation of the BESS would result in a reduced risk profile. FRNSW submit that the decentralisation of the BESS does not represent a decrease in risk profile, only a decrease in overall magnitude of potential fire size. Subsequently, it is recommended that should consent for the modification be granted, a Condition of Consent be included that would require the Applicant to prepare a comprehensive Fire Safety Study (FSS) for the BESS component of the development. The FSS should be developed in accordance with the requirements of *Hazardous Industry Planning Advisory Paper No.2 – Fire Safety Study Guidelines* (HIPAP No.2), and in consultation with and to the satisfaction of FRNSW.

If you have any queries regarding the above please contact the Fire Safety Infrastructure Liaison Unit, referencing FRNSW file number BFS19/4002. Please ensure that all correspondence in relation to this matter is submitted electronically to <u>firesafety@fire.nsw.gov.au</u>.

Regards, Nathan



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Good Afternoon,

The Department of Planning and Environment has received a Modification Application and Report for the MOD 1 - Yarrabee Battery Storage and Transport Route (SSD-9237).

The Modification Report will be publicly exhibited from 4 December 2019 to 18 December 2019.

The Modification Report is available here: <u>https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/project/25641</u>

The Department invites you to comment on the modification, including advice on recommended conditions by the 16 December 2019.

If you have any enquiries, please contact Javier Canon at <u>Javier.Canon@planning.nsw.gov.au</u>.

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