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Dear Mr Stuckey

Heritage Council comments on a s.75W modification application for the White Rock Wind Farm (MP_10 0160-MOD 6)

Reference is made to your correspondence received on 9 February 2018 inviting comments from the Heritage Council and advice on recommended conditions for the above State Significant Development application for a modification that proposes the following:

- Reducing the overall number of Stage 2 turbines from 49 to 48;
- Increasing overall rotor tip height of Stage 2 turbines from 150m to 200m;
- Increasing the overall project area, including relocation of some turbines and ancillary infrastructure; and
- Increasing the project's vegetation clearance limit.

It is noted that the Heritage Council has not previously commented on the proposal or previous modifications. The Environmental Assessment report (EA) prepared by Goldwing Capital (Australia), dated January 2018 had been reviewed and the following comments are provided:

- The proposed State Significant Development (SSD) is not within the curtilage of a State Heritage Register (SHR) item. The EA does not address non-Indigenous heritage and there are no heritage items near the proposed works.
- The relevant documents have been reviewed and no additional heritage requirements are recommended. It is, therefore, considered that further referrals to the Heritage Council are not required.

Separate comments on Biodiversity and Aboriginal archaeological and cultural values of the project will be provided by the Regional Operations Division, Northern Region of the Office of Environment and Heritage.

If you have any questions regarding the above matter, please contact James Quoyle, Heritage Assessment Officer, at the Heritage Division, Office of Environment and Heritage on telephone (02) 9873 8612 or at james.quoyle@environment.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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