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Dear Ms Donnelley

Request for comment on exhibition of Environmental Impact Statement for Sapphire Solar Farm (SSD 8642)

Reference is made to your correspondence received on 25 January 2018 requesting comment on the exhibition of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) from the Heritage Council of NSW for the above proposal.

The EIS prepared by Eco Logical Australia, dated 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 EIS addresses the potential heritage impact for the three heritage items in the vicinity, notes they are all located more than five kilometers from the proposed development, and finds the proposed development will not have any direct impacts on known heritage and a heritage assessment is not warranted for the proposed development.

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.

It is noted that NSW Archaeology Pty Ltd undertook an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment (ACHA) for the Proposed Development, to address the project SEARs. Separate comments on the 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 Quoyale, Heritage Assessment Officer, at the Heritage Division, Office of Environment and Heritage on telephone (02) 9873 8612 or at james.quoyale@environment.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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