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Ms Natasha Homsey Department of Planning and Environment GPO Box 39 SYDNEY NSW 2001

Attention: Ms Natasha Homsey

Dear Ms Homsey

Re: Springdale Solar Farm, Sutton - EIS Exhibition (SSD 8703)

I refer to your email dated 13 July 2018 advising the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) of the public exhibition of an Environmental Impact Statement ('EIS') for the proposed Springdale Solar Farm at Sutton, NSW ('the proposal') and seeking comments on the proposal. Thank you for providing the opportunity for the EPA to comment on the proposal.

The EPA notes that solar farms are not a scheduled activity under Schedule 1 of the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997* and therefore, an Environment Protection Licence will not be required for the proposal. As such, the EPA does not have a formal role in the matter and accordingly, does not have any comments to make on the proposal.

I trust this information is of assistance. If you have any questions or wish to discuss, please contact Amanda Fletcher on (02) 6229 7002.

Yours sincerely

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