The Hon. Don Harwin MLC GPO Box 5341 SYDNEY NSW 2001

Dear Minister,

Re: Objection to the proposed Springdale Solar Farm (Sutton)

I would like to register my strong objection to the proposed solar development known as the Springdale Solar Farm, near Sutton NSW 2620, and seek your help in ensuring that this matter is raised with the appropriate Minister.

As a direct neighbour to the proposal, I am concerned that the solar farm is a negative development for the Sutton area due to a number of factors.

Firstly, in terms of biodiversity, the development can only have a deleterious effect on the native flora and fauna, in an area that is already recognised as fragile and important as part of the greater Goorooyarroo zone. It is cynical in the extreme for the ACT Govt to develop an area just outside their borders, without consideration of the environmental impacts. There are a number of species in the area that deserve our protection, not the destruction of pristine grassland.

Secondly, this poses a major fire hazard to our properties. It also significantly decreases the value of our property, and impacts on our ability to utilise our land to the most environmentally friendly effect. The solar farm, changing the land usage, will hinder our efforts at feral pest control by placing a commercial facility in a rural environment.

I hope you will raise this matter with the appropriate Minister and authorities for review.

Thanking you in anticipation,

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