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No Comment to Planning Advice Request

Dear Javier

Thank you for requesting input from the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) on the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed Tilbuster Solar Farm (Application SSD-9619) at New England Highway, Tilbuster NSW 2350.

Based on the information provided, the proposal does not appear to require an environment protection licence under the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997*. Furthermore, the EPA understands that the proposal is not being undertaken by or on behalf of a NSW Public Authority nor are the proposed activities other activities for which the EPA is the appropriate regulatory authority.

In view of these factors, the EPA has no comments to provide on this project and no follow-up consultation is required.

The EPA does not require any follow-up consultation and Armidale Regional Council should be consulted as the appropriate regulatory authority for the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997* in relation to the proposal.

If you have any questions about this request, please contact Lindsay Fulloon on (02) 6773 7000 or via email at Armidale@epa.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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