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Dear Sally

**Mount Piper Energy Recovery Project - SSD 8294 - EIS**

I refer to your request of 7 January 2020 to the Biodiversity and Conservation Division (BCD) of the Department inviting comments on the exhibited Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed Mount Piper Energy Recovery Project.

It is noted that a BDAR waiver was granted on 7 November 2019 as it was determined that the proposed development is not likely to have any significant impact on biodiversity values. The project described in the EIS is as described in the BDAR waiver application.

The Biodiversity Assessment Report accompanying the EIS states that no vegetation communities were present on the development site that are consistent with any plant community types under the BioNet Vegetation Classification and therefore no floristic plots were undertaken.

It is noted that the proponents have undertaken their Aboriginal cultural heritage (ACH) due diligence and that the site has a long history of high impact activities and that archaeological material has not been identified on the site.

BCD has no further comment to make regarding ACH or biodiversity impacts from this proposed development at this stage.

If you have any further queries regarding this matter please contact David Geering, Conservation Planning Officer, via [david.geering@environment.nsw.gov.au](mailto:david.geering@environment.nsw.gov.au) or 6883 5335.

Yours sincerely

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