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Our ref: SSD-10387  
Your ref: RDOC22/34467

Emailed: via Major Projects Portal

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Dear Mr Canon

**Subject: Daroobalgie Solar Farm (SSD10387) – Environmental Impact Statement**

Thank you for the opportunity to provide advice on the above matter. This is a response from the NSW Department of Regional NSW – Mining, Exploration & Geoscience (MEG) – Geological Survey of NSW (GSNSW).

MEG-GSNSW has reviewed the Environmental Impact Statement for Daroobalgie Solar Farm Project (the Project) and notes:

- The proponent indicates (ref p51) that Godolphin Resources Ltd provided a letter on 3 November 2021 stating their exploration licence areas are highly prospective for mineral resources and have concerns about the proximity of the proposed Project to their Mining Lease (ML739). The proponent and Godolphin have agreed to continue consultation regarding the co-existence of both parties' interests over the Project area.

The proponent also provided information relating to the Project to FMG Resources Pty Ltd via email on 4 October 2021 and offered a meeting to discuss how the Project and proposed exploration activities may interact. FMG have advised they are currently reviewing the information provided.

MEG-GSNSW acknowledges the proponent will continue to engage with all title holders during the assessment phase and over the life of the Project.

- The proponent states retirement of ecosystem and species credits are required to offset the residual impacts of the project. MEG-GSNSW request to be consulted in relation to the proposed location of any biodiversity offset areas (both on and off site) or any supplementary biodiversity measures to ensure there is no consequent reduction in access to prospective land for mineral exploration, or potential for sterilisation of mineral or extractive resources.



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Queries regarding the above information should be directed to the MEG-GSNSW Land Use team at [landuse.minerals@geoscience.nsw.gov.au](mailto:landuse.minerals@geoscience.nsw.gov.au).

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Drummond'.

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