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Mr Iwan Davies
Department of Planning and Environment
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Dear Iwan,

## WEST WYALONG SOLAR FARM (SSD 18\_9504) - REQUEST TO AMEND SEARS

Reference is made to the Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs) received on 21 September 2018 in relation to the proposed Solar Farm at 228-230 Blands Lane, Wyalong (SSD\_9504) and your email correspondence dated 25 September 2018.

Per recent discussions, Lightsource Development Services Australia Pty Ltd (the applicant) request to vary the proposal description to increase the total capacity of the project.

Subsequently, this letter is submitted to the Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) to support this and formally request that the SEARs be amended and re-issued for the West Wyalong Solar Farm project.

## **DESCRIPTION OF AMENDED PROPOSAL**

The preliminary environmental assessment and SEARs outline the project as follows:

'West Wyalong Solar Farm which includes:

- The construction and operation of a solar photovoltaic (PV) energy generation facility with an estimated capacity of 135 MW; and
- Associated infrastructure, including a grid connection and battery storage.

A review of the site has confirmed that there is sufficient eligible land to expand the capacity of the proposal as part of this State significant development application (SSD DA). As such, the revised proposal comprises the following:

- Installation of approximately 653,490 solar panels resulting in an estimated capacity of 250 MW.
- Substation and battery energy storage system.
- Internal access roads and access points.
- Perimeter security fencing.

A revised layout of the solar arrays is enclosed. This outlines the general arrangement of panels, however is subject to change through ongoing design development.



Given the preliminary environmental assessment included both Lot 17 and Lot 18 in DP753081. It is considered that no further aspects of the site analysis will be amended/impacted by the proposed change.

The Environmental Impact Statement comprising part of the SSD DA will clearly articulate the nature and extent of the proposal and an assessment of the likely impacts and proposed environmental mitigation measures.

We look forward to receiving the amended SEARs. In the event that there are any questions regarding the amended documentation, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned on 02 8233 7647.

Kind regards,

Stewart Doran

Senior Consultant

