

26 August 2016

The Secretariat
Joint Regional Planning Panel (Western)

Dear Sir/Madam

2016NTH021 - DA2016/44 - Boggabilla Solar Farm and Subdivision

The following is response to the panels questions

1. Re-notification -

The development application was re-notified due to a clerical error on the original notification letters. The letters sent and dated the 8th July had the submission ending date as 22 July 2016, however this submission date should have been amended when the letters were amended

2. Clause 45 of Infrastructure SEPP -

The application was not formally referred to the electricity supply authority (Essential Energy) as the proposed infrastructure is not to be within 5 m of the exposed overhead electricity power line. However contact was made informally with Essential Energy advising them of the proposed development to ensure they had no concerns with it and agree that formal notification was not required.

3. Flooding -

The May 2007 report (Cardno), which was an appendix to the Statement of Environmental Effects submitted by the applicant, was for the purpose of rezoning and subdivision of the land to the east of the proposed Solar Farm site. In this regard the surveyors have used this information and data in Goondiwindi to interpolate an adopted flood height (equivalent to the highest known level) for the development site in the absence of accurate data to enable a site specific 1% AEP flood level. This interpolated referenced flood level is 216.65AHD. The solar farm has been designed so that the sensitive equipment will be located above this level or designed to withstand flood waters. The development has been designed to comply with the principles of the NSW Floodplain Development Manual 2005.

If you require further information please contact me via email or phone, as indicated above.

Yours sincerely



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