



Ms Lynelle Briggs Chair Planning Assessment Commission GPO Box 3415 Sydney NSW 2001

Dear Ms Briggs

Silverton Wind Farm - Modifications

The Department has completed its assessment of the merits of the two modification applications for the Silverton Wind Farm – one for the project approval (08_022 MOD 3) and one for the concept approval (08_0022 MOD 2).

The modification to the project approval principally involves a reduction in the maximum number of turbines (from 282 to 170) and an increase in turbine size from 155 to 180 metres. The modification to the concept approval is administrative in nature, and involves removing various elements associated with Stage 2 of the original concept plan to ensure it is consistent with the project approval (as modified).

In accordance with the Minister's delegation dated 14 September 2011, the application is referred to the Planning Assessment Commission for determination, as AGL made relevant reportable political donations.

During the exhibition, the Department received 3 public submissions from the local community objecting to the proposal and 1 providing comments. None of the government agencies objected to the proposal.

The Department also visited the site and met with the Silverton Village Committee and 2 neighbouring residences during the assessment process.

I have attached a copy of the Department's assessment report and other relevant documents for the Commission's consideration.

For further information or to arrange a briefing, please contact Mike Young, Director Resource Assessments, on 8217 2091.

Yours sincerely

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