

29 November 2023

Mr John Wood 35 Lerra Road Windella NSW 2320

via email:

Dear Mr Wood,

Bowmans Creek Wind Farm (SSD-10315)

Thank you for your letter to Professor Alice Clark, Panel Chair, received on 26 November 2023 regarding the Bowmans Creek Wind Farm project (SSD-10315) currently before the NSW Independent Planning Commission (Commission) for determination. I am responding on behalf of Professor Clark.

The Commission acknowledges the concerns raised in your letter. The Commission is well aware of its obligations regarding procedural fairness and of course will afford procedural fairness in the consultation process and determination of the project.

The Commission does not consider that there has been any breach of the bias rule in respect of Mr Pearson's membership on the Panel. Mr Pearson has no conflict that would mean he would not be an impartial decision maker in determining this project.

The Commission also confirms that affected members of the public will have a reasonable opportunity to be heard, at the scheduled public meeting and through lodging written submissions. To maximise accessibility to the public meeting, registered speakers are able to participate in the meeting either in person or via videoconference or telephone, and any member of the public will be able to watch the proceedings which will be livestreamed on the Commission's website. In respect of the submissions process, the Commission have extended the timeframe for written submissions on the project to 5.00pm on Thursday 21 December 2023.

The Commission will treat your letter received on 26 November 2023 as a submission and will publish a copy of your letter, and this response, on its website.

Yours sincerely,

Stephen Barry Planning Director