



14 February 2020

Mr Tim Kirk
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By email: tim.kirk@upc-ac.com

Dear Mr Kirk

New England Solar Farm (SSD 9255)

In its consideration of the abovementioned Application, the Independent Planning Commission NSW (the **Commission**) has identified a number of matters that require further clarification.

As such, the Commission now seeks from the Applicant:

1. clarification as to whether it undertook consultation with Lockheed Martin as part of its stakeholder engagement process. If so, could evidence of that consultation be provided to the Commission;
2. clarification of the staging, total quantum and duration of the proposed Community Grants agreed to by the Applicant as there have been some inconsistencies in the information provided to the Commission to date;
3. information on how the Community Grants might be distributed in terms of process. This should include detail on the application and selection process as well as the number and frequency of grants throughout any one year;
4. confirmation that the ecological value of dead trees within the Project Site was included as part of the Biodiversity Assessment Method calculations; and
5. a copy of the latest design for the intersection of Barleysfields Road and New England Highway.

The Commission would be grateful if the Applicant could provide a response to these matters by 5pm on **Tuesday 18 February 2020**.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr Brad James, Senior Planning Officer, on (02) 9383 2165 or at bradley.james@ipcn.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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Acting Executive Director – Secretariat