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Hi Brad,

Regarding the changes to condition B7(c), the Department's position is that it is difficult to enforce works being completed 'as soon as practicable' and the condition as drafted would require even damage to the road done as part of de-commissioning, to be repaired prior to commissioning.

The Department recommends that the timing of the repair / make good works be either deleted or amended to require works to be completed within 2 months of completion of the survey, which is consistent with other energy projects.

Regarding proposed condition B8, the Department's view is that it is unable to require works or activities or undertake compliance activities outside of NSW. Any separate approval for works within ACT can consider whether such a condition is appropriate.

As such, the Department recommends deletion.

Kind Regards,

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Thanks Cameron,

As discussed, please see new draft condition B8.

We'd appreciate the Department's view on whether this change is workable and if it addresses the Department's comments in our meeting on 27 August 2024.

#### Road Maintenance

B7. ~~The~~ Applicant must:

- (a) undertake ~~an~~ independent dilapidation surveys to assess the:
- (i) condition of Wallaroo Road, Gooroomon Ponds Road and Southwell Road, between Barton Highway and the site access point following upgrade in accordance with condition B5 and condition B6 and prior to construction, upgrading and decommissioning activities; and
  - (ii) condition of Wallaroo Road, Gooroomon Ponds Road and Southwell Road, between Barton Highway and the site access point following the completion of construction, upgrading and decommissioning activities;
- (b) on completion of the dilapidation reports undertaken in condition B7(a)(i) and (ii) provide a copy to the relevant road authorities; and
- (c) repair and/or make good any development-related damage to Wallaroo Road, Gooroomon Ponds Road, ~~and/or~~ Southwell Road identified in dilapidation surveys during construction, upgrading or decommissioning works in consultation with the relevant road authority. Repair and/or make good works must be completed as soon as practicable and prior to commissioning of the solar farm and prior to completion of decommissioning works as applicable to the development.

If there is a dispute about road repair between the Applicant and the relevant roads authority, then either party may refer the matter to the Planning Secretary for resolution.

B8. Without limiting the application of condition B7:

- (a) before the commissioning of the development, all damage to the Barton Highway/Wallaroo Road intersection relating to the construction of the development must be repaired and/or made good; and
- (b) before the decommissioning of the development, all damage to the Barton Highway/Wallaroo Road intersection relating to the operation of the development must be repaired and/or made good.

Regards,

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