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**RE: Response to Request for Further Information 2
Planning Permit Application PA2604198
Camperdown BESS – Wire Lane, Camperdown VIC 3260**

1.0 Introduction

This correspondence has been prepared by SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd (SLR) on behalf of Camperdown BESS Pty Ltd in response to the Department of Transport and Planning's (DTP) Request for Further Information 2 (RFI) for Planning Application PA2604198, relating to the proposed Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) at Wire Lane, Camperdown VIC 3260 (Camperdown BESS).

The submitted planning application sought approval for the use and development of land for a utility installation under the Farming Zone.

On 16 February 2026, an RFI was issued by DTP relating to the application. On 10 June 2026, a response to the RFI was submitted to DTP. Following review of the RFI response, on 06 July 2026, a second RFI was issued by DTP requesting further information required to consider the application.

This letter provides a formal response to DTP's RFI letter dated 06 July 2026 to assist in the assessment of PA2604198.

Further Information

INFORMATION REQUEST ITEM 1

1. Any section 173 agreements and/or covenants listed on the register search statement must be provided, including commentary on whether the application breaches these restrictions.
 - a. The register search statement for Lot 2 of PS817143 indicates that a section 173 agreement applies to the land. Please provide a copy of the agreement and assessment whether it would breach any obligations.

Response Item 1

A copy of the Section 173 agreement registered on title for Lot 2 of PS817143 is included at Attachment A. The section 173 agreement restricts the further subdivision of the land to create smaller lots for dwelling purposes.

The current planning permit application does not propose any subdivision of the land, nor does it seek approval for additional dwellings or creation of new lots. The application relates to the development and use of land for Utility Installation being a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) and associated infrastructure. As no subdivision is proposed, the development does not conflict with or breach the obligations imposed by the Section 173

agreement. Accordingly, the proposal is considered to be consistent with the requirements of the Section 173 agreement.

INFORMATION REQUEST ITEM 2

2. Amend the 'Application Form' to:
 - a. Correctly refer to the Corangamite Planning Scheme rather than the Melbourne Planning Scheme.

Response Item 2

Refer to Attachment B for a copy of the amended Application Form which now refers to the Corangamite Planning Scheme.

INFORMATION REQUEST ITEM 3

3. Updated development plans to address the following:
 - a. Fully dimensioned and scaled development plans that include the following:
 - i. Setbacks of all proposed infrastructure from property boundaries, and separation distances between BESS units and other buildings.
 - ii. Setback of proposed infrastructure from Areas of Cultural Heritage Sensitivity boundary.
 - iii. Elevation plans of BESS units, ancillary infrastructure, associated buildings, grid connection infrastructure and proposed perimeter screening including landscaping.
 - iv. Dimensions of transmission line, vehicle access, internal accessways, laydown areas.
 - v. Plans to include details of the grid connection including if sections are underground or above ground.
 - vi. Location of secondary access for emergency fire access.
 - b. A site context plan showing the proposed facility within the context of the broader site and surrounding land uses including dwellings and other sensitive land uses shown.

Response Item 3

Updated development plans have been prepared and submitted with this response package to address the requested information. The revised drawing set includes the following:

- Dimensioned drawings showing setbacks as requested.
- Indicative floor plans of the operations warehouse, operations building, and MV switchroom and control room.
- Elevation drawings of the BESS container, power conversion unit, substation, operations warehouse, operations building, and MV switchroom and control room.
- Regional context drawing showing proposed facility within the context of the broader site and surrounding land uses.

The proposed Camperdown BESS will connect to the existing 66kV sub-transmission line between the Camperdown Zone Substation and the Colac Zone substation via a line-in-line-



out configuration. The proposed overhead power line will extend from the Project substation eastward to the point of connection within the Substation Area, then further extending to the existing overhead network along Wire Lane. Integration of the Project into the existing electricity network will be undertaken by Powercor.

The scope of works associated with this planning permit application includes the grid connection infrastructure from the Project substation to the nominated point of connection, which is now identified on the updated development plans. Works beyond the point of connection, including new overhead lines and modifications to the existing 66kV sub-transmission line required to facilitate the line-in-line-out connection, fall within the scope and jurisdiction of Powercor and do not form part of this planning permit application.

The updated development plans have therefore been revised to identify the point of connection and remove the previously shown sub-transmission line route beyond that point. Refer to Attachment C for the updated development plans.

Site Access

Vehicular access to the BESS will be provided via a new crossover from Wiridgil Road to the north, including an access gate at the road interface. Internal roads will also be constructed within the Project Area. As discussed within Section 7.3.1 of the Planning Report, the Project design has been undertaken in consideration of CFA's '*Guidelines for Renewable Energy Installations*'. With regard to access for emergency services, the access arrangements have been designed in accordance with CFA guidance, including:

- The off-site approach paths and access to the Subject Site (shown in Figure 1) provide for:
 - primary access from Wiridgil Road, from both the east and west.
 - secondary access from Wire Lane, both from the north and south.
- Internal roads capable of accommodating firefighting.
- Circulation and turning areas to allow forward movement of emergency vehicles.
- Multiple access points to support operational flexibility during emergency response.

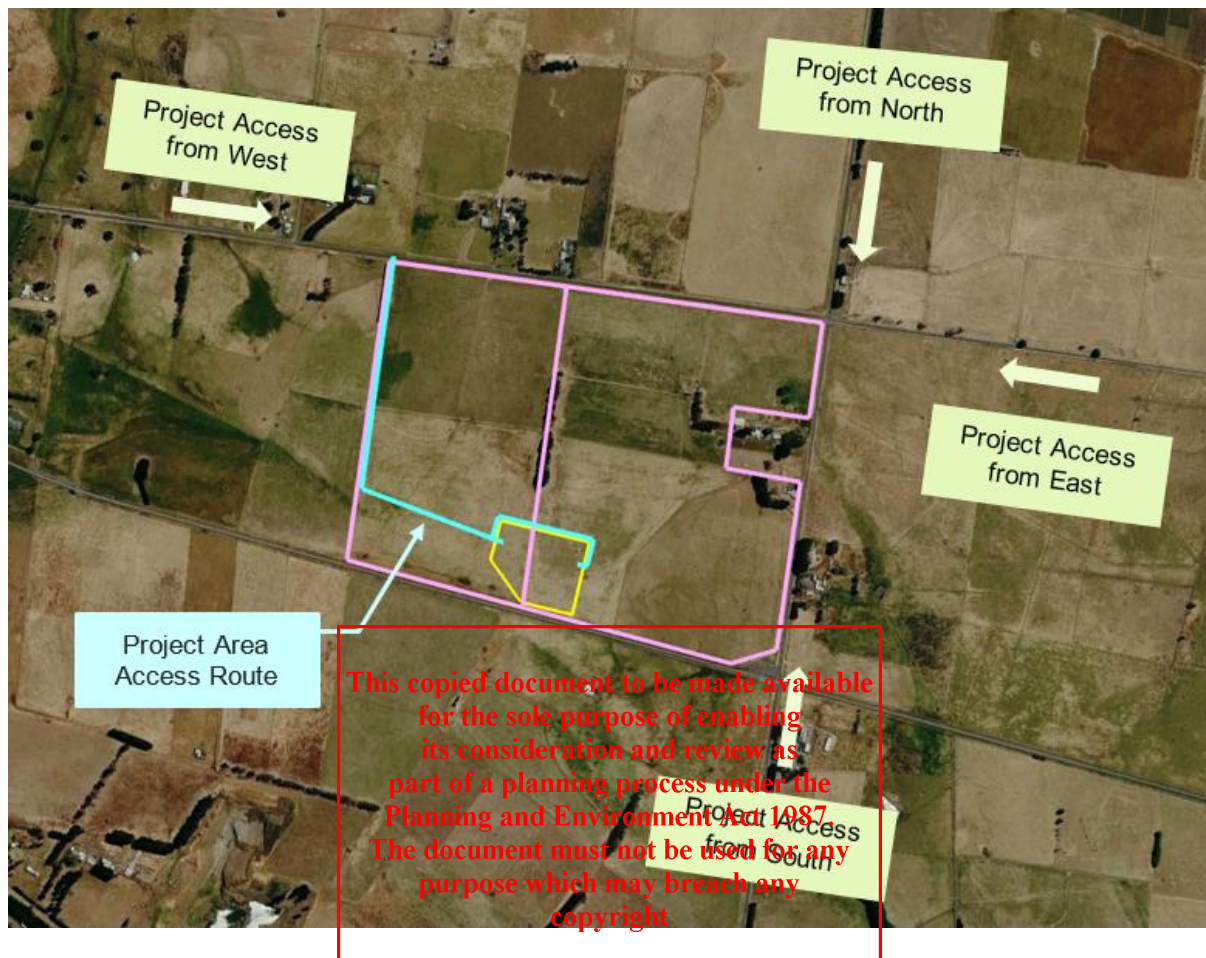
In addition to the proposed site access, an existing access point is located to the east and currently services the property. In the event of an emergency, this existing access can be utilised to provide emergency access to the Project if required.

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Figure 1 External Access



Preliminary Comments

PRELIMINARY COMMENT ITEM 1

- Please clarify the extent of proposed works in the Planning Report and Development Plans. In particular, if the transmission line route does not form part of this application, this should be clearly stated or removed from the application documentation where appropriate.

Response Item 1

As noted above, the scope of works associated with this planning permit application includes the grid connection infrastructure from the Project substation to the nominated point of connection. Works beyond the point of connection fall within the scope and jurisdiction of Powercor and do not form part of this planning permit application.

The updated development plans have removed the previously shown proposed sub-transmission line route, and has identified the point of connection within the Substation Area (refer to Attachment C).

An updated Planning Report is provided at Attachment D reflecting the following:

- Amendments to clarify the planning permit scope of works associated with the transmission line.



- Amendment to Figure 1 to note the point of connection and remove the previously shown proposed sub-transmission line route.
- Amendment to Figure 3 to remove the previously shown proposed sub-transmission line route.
- Update to plans shown in Section 3.0 to reflect the updated development plans.
- Updates to Section 4.3.4 of the Planning Report to provide an assessment against all of Schedule 1 to Clause 37.05 of the Farming Zone.

PRELIMINARY COMMENT ITEM 2

- Please ensure that all application documents are consistent, and that any updated/amendments made in response to the above are consistent with the relevant assessments and plans.

Response Item 2

The following application documents have been updated/amended in response to this RFI request:

- Application Form (Attachment B)
- Development Plans (Attachment C)
- Planning Report (Attachment D)

The primary amendment relates to the clarification of the planning permit scope of works associated with transmission line infrastructure and grid connection. Accordingly, the updated development plans identify the proposed point of connection and remove the previously shown proposed sub-transmission line route.

SLR has reviewed the technical documentation submitted to DTP on 10 June 2026 in response to the first RFI. The proposed sub-transmission line route did not form part of the scope assessed within the submitted technical reports, which were prepared to predominately assess the proposed BESS facility and associated ancillary infrastructure. Therefore, no amendments or updates to the previously submitted technical assessments are required.

I trust this information is sufficient to enable approval of this application. However, should you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me on 0428 153 555 or kyang@slrconsulting.com.

Regards,

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Attachments

- Attachment A – Section 173 Agreement
- Attachment B – Amended Application Form
- Attachment C – Development Plans
- Attachment D – Planning Report

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