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ADVERTISED PLAN

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Dear Dougal

Re: Request to amend Permit PA2000883 - Newstead Solar Farm

Energy Forms represents Newstead 2021 Inc the applicant for the Newstead Solar Farm. Please accept this as a request to amend aspects of Condition 10 which relates to the transport route and intersection upgrade for the Pyrenees Highway and Captains Gully Road. The existing Condition 10 a) through c) is included below.

- 10. Prior to the start of construction works of the solar farm, the following must be designed and constructed using Hear, Transport for Victoria (Head TfV)'s prequalified contractors/consultant to the written satisfaction and at no cost to Head, TfV;
- a) The Pyrenees Highway /Captains Gully Road intersection must be upgraded from the existing 'Y' type to 90 degree 'T' intersection.
- b) A sealed Rural Basic Left-turn Treatment (BAL designed for 26-metre-long B-double) with full depth sealed shoulder must be provided on the Pyrenees Highway at the Captains Road intersection, in accordance with Figure 8.2 of the AUSTROADS publication, "Guide to Road Design Part 4A: Unsignalised and Signalised Intersections" 2017.
- c) A sealed Rural Basic right-turn Treatment (BAR designed for 26-metre-long B-) with full depth sealed shoulder must be provided on the Pyrenees Highway at the Captains Road intersection, generally in accordance with Figure A 28 of the AUSTROADS publication "Guide to Road Design Part 4: Intersections and Crossings _General" -2017.

We request that this Condition be amended to remove items a) through c). The request is as a result of discussions with the Department of Transport in relation to those conditions, in particular the requirement to upgrade the intersection. An alternate transport route has been agreed for construction traffic carrying materials and project components. The alternate route involves approaching the site from the east along the Pyrenees Highway and then turning left into C283, and then right into Tivey St and then left into Clarke Lane which then extends to the northern boundary of the site.

The proposed route then removes the need for any upgrade to the intersection at Pyrenees Highway and Captains Gully Road. The period of construction for this project is short, and a more detailed Traffic Management Plan will need to be prepared and approved prior to the commencement of construction.

It is respectfully requested that the Minister for Planning considers the reduction or waiting of the application fee pursuant to Section 20 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*. The reasons for this request include that the proposal is a minor alteration to the permit and already has agreement from the agency (Department of Transport). We submit that the application or determination will assist the proper development of part of the State, region or municipal district.

We trust this information is satisfactory to you.

If you wish to discuss this matter further, please contact me on 0408 587 095 or via email at fi.cotter@energyforms.com.au

Regards,

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