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Subject: Snowy 2.0 - Transmission Connection – Soil and Water Management Plan

Dear Mr. Buttigieg

I refer to your submission requesting review and approval of the Soil and Water Management Plan for the Snowy 2.0 - Transmission Connection. I also acknowledge your responses to the Department's review comments and requests for additional information.

The Department had previously approved the combining of the Spoil Management Plan (Schedule 2, Condition B8), with the Water Management Plan (Schedule 2, Condition B16) as the Soil and Water Management Plan, consistent with Schedule 2 Condition C3(b).

I note the Soil and Water Management Plan:

- has been prepared in consultation with Biodiversity, Conservation and Science Directorate (BCS), Forestry Corporation of NSW (FCNSW), National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS), NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA), Department of Primary Industries (DPI) and the Department's Water Division (DPE Water); and
- contains the information required by the conditions of approval.

The Department has carefully reviewed the document and is satisfied that it meets the requirements of the relevant conditions in the Infrastructure Approval.

Accordingly, as nominee of the Planning Secretary, I approve the Soil and Water Management Plan (Rev 0.09, dated 24 November 2023).

Please ensure you make the document publicly available on the project website at the earliest convenience.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Wayne Jones on (02) 6575 3406.

Yours sincerely

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Nicole Brewer
Director
Energy Assessments

As nominee of the Planning Secretary