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Approval of Environmental Management Strategy, Biodiversity Management Plan, and Soil and Water Management Plan for Snowy 2.0 Transmission Connection Project, NSW

Dear Mr Snape

Thank you for your emails dated 3 August 2023 and 12 September 2023 to the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water, seeking approval of the Environmental Management Strategy, Biodiversity Management Plan, and Soil and Water Management Plan in accordance with conditions of the above project under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act).

Officers of the department have advised me on the Environmental Management Strategy, Biodiversity Management Plan, and Soil and Water Management Plan and the requirements of the conditions of the approval for this project. On this basis, and as a delegate of the Minister for the Environment and Water, I have decided to approve the Environmental Management Strategy (Revision 0.06, 28 July 2023), Biodiversity Management Plan (Revision 0.11, 31 October 2023), and Soil and Water Management Plan (Revision 0.06, 8 September 2023). These plans must now be implemented.

As you are aware, the department has an active monitoring program which includes monitoring inspections, desk top document reviews and audits. Please ensure that you maintain accurate records of all activities associated with, or relevant to, the conditions of approval so that they can be made available to the department on request.

Should you require any further information please contact Daniel Perkovic on (02) 8334 7615 or by email to Daniel.Perkovic@dcceew.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kate Gowland', written over a horizontal line.

Kate Gowland
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6 November 2023

Attach: New or Increased Impact factsheet