



## NSW Planning Assessment Commission Determination Capital 2 Wind Farm, Modification 4 (MP 10\_1035 MOD 4)

12 May 2017

The Planning Assessment Commission has approved the modification request from Infigen Pty Ltd to extend the lapse date of the approval for Capital 2 Wind Farm by one year from the date of the approval of this modification request, instead of five years, subject to conditions. The decision follows the public meeting held in Bungendore on 28 April 2017.

In reaching this decision, the Commission carefully considered the modification request, the concerns raised by the community in written and verbal submissions and the Department of Planning and Environment's assessment report.

The Commission is of the view that it is in public interest to provide greater certainty to the community about the development of the wind farm and has therefore granted the proponent only one year to commence works and activate the project approval.

The Commission is satisfied that the previous assessments of the impacts of the proposed Capital 2 Wind Farm on the surrounding environment and project approval remains sufficiently robust to support the extension to the approval lapse date.

The Commission has amended the condition governing the Community Consultative Committee (CCC), which now requires the proponent to establish a project specific formal CCC within 4 months of the approval date of this modification request and operate the CCC in accordance with the *Community Consultative Committee Guidelines for State Significant Projects (2016)*. Formalising the CCC would go some way to addressing the concerns raised by the community about the current management and functions of the Capital Community Committee.

The Commission has also made administrative amendments to the project approval to align it with other wind farms approvals in NSW.