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Steve Barry

Planning Director

Independent Planning Commission

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**Subject: Hills of Gold Wind Farm – Response to Request for Comment on Draft Conditions of Consent**

Dear Mr Barry

I refer to your letter dated 30 July 2024, seeking the Department's response to the NSW Independent Planning Commission (Commission) questions, and advice on the workability, enforceability and any potential unintended consequences of the draft conditions

The Department's responses to each of the Commission's questions and comments are set out in the table in Attachment A. The Department also requested updated figures from the applicant (see Attachments B to E) relating to the revised project layout

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the draft conditions for this Project.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Nicole Brewer on [REDACTED] or [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely,

Nicole Brewer

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Director

Energy Assessments

Attachment A – Department of Planning, Housing & Infrastructure Response to Commission's Draft Proposed Conditions of Consent

Attachment B – Appendix 1 Project Layout

Attachment C – Appendix 5 Biodiversity Clearing Limits and Offset

Attachment D – Appendix 6 Archaeological Sites

Attachment E – Appendix 7 Transport Route – Port to Nundle