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Dear Ellena,

### **SUBJECT: AQUILA WIND FARM (SSD-67667971) ADVICE on SEARs**

Thank you for providing Mid-Western Regional Council (Council) the opportunity to provide input into the Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs) for the proposed Aquila Wind Farm. Council has reviewed the requirements and request the following be specifically addressed in the Environmental Impact Assessment.

#### **Transport**

Council notes a preferred port and transport route has not yet been established, but several options are available. The preferred transport route will be confirmed via port and transport route assessment, to be prepared as part of the EIS (Environmental Impact Statement).

Council requests if the proponent intends to use roads in the Mid-Western Region Local Government Area, that the conditions include Council's approval of the Transport Management Plan alongside other associated Councils prior to consent as part of the approval process.

#### **Water Supply**

Council notes potential water requirements will be assessed as part of the water and soil impact assessment during the EIS.

Council advises at this point in time it does not have the capacity to support potable or construction water for this project. The Proponent should not depend on Mid-Western Regional Council water sources (directly or through third parties).

#### **Waste**

Council notes the Proponent will quantify and classify the likely waste streams to be generated throughout all stages of the project in the EIS.

Mid-Western Regional Council wishes to advise at this point in time that none of its waste facilities, including the sewage treatment plant, are appropriate or capable of handling the disposal of any waste generated by the project.

**Workforce and Accommodation**

Council notes the EIS will include consideration of construction workforce accommodation.

If the proponent intends to house temporary construction workers in the Mid-Western Region Local Government Area, the conditions include Council's approval of the Accommodation and Employment Plan alongside other associated Councils prior to consent as part of the approval process.

Should you have any further enquiries regarding this matter, please contact Council on (02) 6378 2850.

Yours sincerely,

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GENERAL MANAGER