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Tasmanian Planning Commission
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Dear Mr West *Paul*

Cellars Hill Wind Farm Major Project Referral of relevant representations on the draft assessment criteria

Thank you for your letter of 5 August 2025 referring relevant representations received on the Panel's draft assessment criteria for the Cellars Hill Wind Farm Major Project (Major Project).

I note that at this stage of the process, namely section 60ZL(3) of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* (LUPAA), the Department of Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania (NRE Tas) has the opportunity to provide the Panel with an Alteration Notice to its existing Assessment Requirement Notice. NRE Tas officers have reviewed the referred representations and advise that in this case no Alteration Notice to the NRE Tas Assessment Requirement Notice is required.

In addition, it should be noted that NRE Tas concurs that the Threatened Species Protection Plan for the Tasmanian wedge-tailed eagle is now out of date, and that the information on the Threatened Species Link Species Management Profile (including the *Threatened Species Protection Act 1995* Listing Statement) should be included in the list of guidance materials contained within Appendix C of the Assessment Criteria in its place. The Species Management Profile can be found at <https://www.threatenedspecieslink.tas.gov.au/Pages/Wedge-tailed-Eagle.aspx>.

NRE Tas offers the advice in its capacities as:

- an owner of land within and adjoining the Major Project area (section 60ZJ(1)(a) & (b) of LUPAA);
- the manager of Crown land (section 60ZJ(1)(f)); and
- a relevant State Service Agency (section 60ZJ(1)(e)).

Should the Panel have any further questions in relation to this matter please contact Richard Cuskelly, Planning Policy Officer, Strategy and Business Services Division. Mr Cuskelly can be contacted via phone on 6165 4537 or via email at richard.cuskelly@nre.tas.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of several overlapping loops and a final vertical stroke, representing the name Jason Jacobi.

Jason Jacobi
SECRETARY

16 August 2025