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Dear Mr Mohajerani

HAWKESDALE AND RYAN CORNER WIND FARM PROJECTS AMENDMENT TO TURBINE SPECIFICATIONS

I refer to your request to the Hon. Justin Madden MLC, Minister for Planning, seeking changes to turbine specifications for the Hawkesdale and Ryan Corner wind farm projects. I am responding on behalf of the minister.

I am pleased to advise that, under delegation from the Minister for Planning, I have agreed to increase the overall wind turbine height and blade length requirements contained within Condition 3 of Planning Permit No. 2006/0221 (Hawkesdale wind farm project) and Planning Permit No. 2006/0222 (Ryan Corner wind farm project).

The following requirements now apply to the Hawkesdale and Ryan Corner wind farm projects:

- The overall maximum height of the wind turbines (to the tip of the rotor blade when vertical) must not exceed 126.3 metres above natural ground level.
- Wind turbines must be mounted on a tubular steel and / or concrete tower with a height of no greater than 80 metres.
- Each turbine is to have not more than three rotor blades, with each blade having a length of no greater than 46.25 metres.

Union Fenosa has adequately demonstrated that there is no material increase in noise, shadow flicker and no perceptible increase in visual impact at a landscape scale. The now permitted turbine specifications provide scope for Union Fenosa to incorporate either the Vestas V90 or REpower MM92 generator models as part of the constructed projects.

If you have any questions please contact Bart Gane, Senior Project Officer, at the department's Barwon South West Region office on (03) 5562 3564.

Yours sincerely

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