

APPENDIX G MAYORS LETTER OF SUPPORT

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**DUBBO REGIONAL
COUNCIL**

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Ms M Tome
First Solar
Level 3 16 Spring Street
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Dear Ms Tome

Dubbo Regional Council provides its support for the development of the proposed First Solar Wellington Solar Farm as an economic growth opportunity for the Dubbo Regional local government area, particularly for the Wellington community. Construction of the solar farm will provide the opportunity for local construction industry employment and use of the local supplier businesses for construction materials and services.

It is Council's understanding that once constructed, the solar farm will supply power to business in this region and Eastern Australia which will no longer be supplied from the Liddell Coal fired power station. Funds from the sale of power to the grid will provide for the ongoing maintenance of the solar farm which will provide employment for families to grow and develop here supporting the continued economic development of businesses in the Dubbo Regional Council area.

The solar farm has provided in-principle support for community grants to support community groups. The families of those employed on the solar farm will contribute to the development of society in the region through attending school, participation in sporting clubs, use of health and professional services and the purchase of other provisions which will support businesses in the region.

I can be contacted on 0418 639 053 should you wish to discuss this further.

Yours faithfully

Councillor Ben Shields
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