# Crookwell 2 & 3 Wind Farms

# **Planning Agreement**

The Upper Lachlan Shire Council
Crookwell Development Pty Ltd

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## Planning Agreement

### Date

Between the parties	
	The Upper Lachlan Shire Council ABN 81 011 241 552 of 44 Spring Street, Crookwell, NSW 2583 (Council)
	Crookwell Development Pty Ltd  ABN 53 106 800 840 of Suite 4, Level 3, 24 Marcus Clarke Street Canberra, ACT 2600  (Company)
Recitals	<ul> <li>The Crookwell 2 Development Consent was granted in relation to the Crookwell 2 Wind Farm on 10 June 2005. The Company is entitled to act on the Crookwell 2 Development Consent.</li> <li>The Company has lodged: <ul> <li>the Crookwell 2 Modification Application; and</li> <li>the Crookwell 3 Development Application.</li> </ul> </li> <li>The Company has voluntarily agreed to pay Monetary Contributions in relation to the Crookwell 2 Wind Farm and the Crookwell 3 Wind Farm to the Council's Community Enhancement Fund on the terms of this deed.</li> <li>The Council agrees to be the custodian of the Monetary Contributions paid by the Company to the Community Enhancement Fund and to distribute and expend the funds in the Community Enhancement Fund in accordance with this deed.</li> <li>The Monetary Contributions paid by the Company to the Community Enhancement Fund in accordance with this deed are in separate from, and in addition to, the amounts to be paid by the Company under the 'Neighbour Benefit Sharing Agreements' which the Company has entered into with a number of owners of dwellings located in the vicinity of the Development Land.</li> </ul>

## Definitions and interpretation

### 1.1 Definitions

The meanings of the terms used in this deed are set out below.

Term	Meaning		
Approved Local Projects	each Local Project approved for funding from the Community Enhancement Fund in accordance with this deed.		
Auditor	an appropriately qualified auditor appointed by the Council.		
Committee	the committee established to administer the Community Enhancement Fund in accordance with the DCP comprising:		
	<ul><li>the Mayor or Councillor Delegate;</li><li>the General Manager or delegate of the Council;</li></ul>		
	2 community representatives who do not own any of the Development Land; and		
	<ul> <li>a representative appointed by the Company.</li> </ul>		
Contribution Year	means every 12 month period from 1 July in each year.		
Community Enhancement Fund	the fund to be established by the Council and administered in accordance with this deed.		
Costs	includes costs, charges and expenses, including those incurred in connection with advisers. The cost of administering the Community Enhancement Fund shall be paid to Council out of the Monetary Contribution on an as needed basis and shall be no more than \$5,000.00 per annum, indexed to CPI over the life of the project.		
Crookwell 2 Development Consent	development consent no. DA-176-8-2004-i granted by the Minister for Infrastructure and Planning under Part 4 of the EP&A Act on 10 June 2005, as modified from time to time.		
Crookwell 2 Land	the land contained in the following property titles:		

#### Meaning

- 1 Lots 1, 2, 3 DP 1201348:
- 2 Lot 18 DP 252214:
- 3 Lot 2 DP 865814;
- 4 Lots 91 and 140, DP 750042;
- 5 Lot 41 DP 999621:
- 6 Lots 1, 2, 3 DP 1087717;
- 7 Lot 2 DP 1091383;
- 8 Lot 1 DP 965855; and
- 9 Right of Carriageway over Lot 18, DP 252214 Conveyance No. 622, Book 3377; and
- all other land on which it is proposed that associated and ancillary infrastructure for the Crookwell 2 Wind Farm will be located as specified in the Crookwell 2 Development Consent.

#### Crookwell 2 Modification Application

An application seeking to modify the Crookwell 2 Development Consent under section 75W of the EP&A Act so as to:

- reduce the number of wind turbines from 46 to 32;
- increase the maximum turbine envelope including so as to result in a maximum blade tip height of 160 metres;
   and
- as otherwise set out in the 'Crookwell 2 Wind Farm -Section 75W Modification Application - Environmental Assessment' dated September 2016, and any 'Response to Submissions Report' lodged in relation to that application.

### Crookwell 2 Wind Farm

the construction and operation of a wind energy facility to be known as the Crookwell 2 Wind Farm, on the Crookwell 2 Land as authorised by the Crookwell 2 Development Consent.

#### Crookwell 3 Land

- the land contained in the following property titles:
  - 1 Lots 1 and 2 DP 1074987;
  - 2 Lot 1 DP 924832:
  - 3 Lot 2 DP 1139846;
  - 4 Lot 7011 DP 96802;
  - 5 Lots 13 and 14 DP 784346
  - 6 Lot 191 DP 750054;

Term	Meaning
	7 Lots 290 and 326 DP 750052;
	8 Lot 3 DP 588100;
	9 Lot 8 DP 252214;
	10 Lot 1 DP 965855;
	11 Lot 2 DP 1087717;
	12 Lot 2 DP 1091383;
	13 Lot 7300 DP 1139548;
	14 Lot 257 DP 257478;
	15 Lots 9 and 12 DP 252214;
	16 Lot 256 DP 257478;
	17 Lot 7009 DP 96794;
	18 Lots 1 and 2 DP 604536; and
	<ul> <li>all other land on which it is proposed that associated and ancillary infrastructure for the Crookwell 3 Wind Farm will be located as specified in any Crookwell 3 Development Consent.</li> </ul>
Crookwell 3 Wind Farm	the construction and operation of a wind energy facility, with a maximum of 23 wind turbines, to be known as the Crookwell 3 Wind Farm, on the Crookwell 3 Land as authorised by any Crookwell 3 Development Consent.
Crookwell 3 Development Application	application SSD 6695, MP 10_0034 seeking development consent for the Crookwell 3 Wind Farm as State significant development under Division 4.1 of Part 4 of the EP&A Act.
Crookwell 3 Development Consent	any development consent granted in relation to the Crookwell 3 Development Application under Division 4.1 of Part 4 of the EP&A Act for the Crookwell 3 Wind Farm, as modified from time to time.
Development	the Crookwell 2 Wind Farm and the Crookwell 3 Wind Farm.

the Crookwell 2 Land and the Crookwell 3 Land.

the Upper Lachlan Development Control Plan 2010 as amended from time to time.

**Development Land** 

DCP



Meaning
the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (NSW) as amended from time to time.
the Consumer Price Index Weighted Average of Eight Capital Cities for Housing number or equivalent index published from time to time by the Australian Bureau of Statistics commencing at the June 2011 quarter.
any projects proposed to be carried out within the Upper Lachlan Shire Council local government area and located within 25km of the Development which are aimed at:
1 enhancing any aspect of the local environment including, but not limited to, ameliorating any impacts from the Development; or
2 providing any community service or facility or benefit.
a person appointed as mediator under clause 10.5 of this deed.
the amount of \$2,500.00 per Operating Turbine as adjusted in accordance with clause 5.1(b) of this deed.
each wind turbine constructed and commissioned as part of the Development which generates electricity into the transmission network during any part of the relevant Contribution Year.

### 1.2 Interpretation

- (a) Clause headings are for convenience only and will be ignored in the interpretation of this deed.
- (b) References to a party include the successors and permitted assigns of that party.
- (c) Words importing the singular include the plural and words importing the plural include the singular.
- (d) Words importing a person include a corporation, firm or body corporate.
- (e) Nothing contained in this deed will be deemed or construed as creating the relationship of partnership.
- (f) References to a month mean a calendar month and a reference to a year means a calendar year.

- (g) References to any document include any permitted amendment, supplement to or replacement or novation of the document.
- (h) References to any legislation or to any section or provision of any legislation includes any:
  - statutory modification or re-enactment of or any statutory provision substituted for that legislation, section or provision; or
  - (2) ordinances, by-laws, regulations and other statutory provision substituted for that legislation, section or provision.
- (i) Other grammatical forms of defined words or expressions have corresponding meanings.
- (j) 'Including' and similar expressions are not words of limitation.

### 2 Planning Agreement

The parties agree that this deed is a planning agreement governed by Subdivision 2 of Division 6 of Part 4 of the EP&A Act.

### 3 Application of this deed

This deed applies to:

- (a) the Crookwell 2 Modification Application; and
- (b) the Crookwell 3 Development Application.

### 4 Operation of this deed

The parties agree that this deed will not operate or bind the parties unless and until each of the following occurs:

- (a) the Crookwell 2 Modification Application is approved;
- (b) the Crookwell 3 Development Consent is granted;

## 5 Payment of the Monetary Contribution

### 5.1 The Monetary Contribution

- (a) The Company must pay to the Council the Monetary Contribution in arrears on 1 July of each year for each turbine which was an Operating Turbine during the preceding Contribution Year.
- (b) The parties agree that the Monetary Contribution will be reviewed on 1 July of each year in accordance with the following formula:

 $MC = A \times B$ 

C

Where:

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MC = the Monetary Contribution payable for the following Contribution Year;

A = the Monetary Contribution payable during the Contribution Year just ended;

B = the Index Number last published before the end of the Contribution Year just ended; and

C = the Index Number last published before the commencement of the Contribution Year just ended.

(c) The monetary contribution is a taxable supply for GST in accordance with Clause 11.

#### 5.2 General

- (a) The obligation of the Company to pay any Monetary Contributions under this deed will cease on the date on which the last of the Operating Turbines is decommissioned.
- (b) The parties agree that the Monetary Contributions paid in accordance with this deed will have the public purpose of facilitating Approved Local Projects.
- (c) The Company agrees to pay interest on any overdue Monetary Contribution payable:
  - from the date on which the relevant Monetary Contribution is due for payment under this deed;
  - (2) until the date on which the relevant Monetary Contribution is paid,

at the bank bill swap interest rate within Australia that is published by the Australian Financial Markets Association, during the relevant period when the Monetary Contribution is overdue.

### 6 Community Enhancement Fund

## 6.1 Establishment of the Community Enhancement Fund

- (a) The Council must hold and apply all Monetary Contributions paid by the Company under this deed in accordance with clause 5.2(b).
- (b) The Council must invest all Monetary Contributions paid by the Company under this deed in an interest bearing account held in the name of the Council for the purpose of the Community Enhancement Fund.

#### 6.2 The Committee

- (a) The Council must establish the Committee on or before the date on which the first instalment of the Monetary Contributions is paid under this deed.
- (b) The Company must be represented by a company-nominated representative on the Committee.
- (c) The Council must procure that the role of the Committee includes:
  - (1) to determine the form in which applications for funding for Local Projects from the Community Enhancement Fund are to be made;
  - (2) to recommend to the Council which applications for funding for Local Projects should be funded from the Community Enhancement Fund as required by clause 6.5(a); and
  - (3) to appoint the Auditor as required by clause 6.7(a).

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#### 6.3 **Call for Funding Applications**

During:

- November to January in each year in which there are funds in the Community (a) Enhancement Fund; or
- (b) any further period determined by the Committee,

the Council must publicly advertise in the Council's Voice newsletter (or any periodic Council publication which replaces the Voice newsletter) and in the local newspapers the availability of funds in the Community Enhancement Fund and call for applications to be made to the Committee, in the form required by the Committee, from the public, community groups and individuals for funding for Local Projects (Funding Applications).

#### 6.4 **Notification to Company**

The Council must procure that the Committee:

- notifies the Company of each application made for funding for Local Projects (a) from the Community Enhancement Fund:
- if requested by the Company, consult the Company in relation to applications (b) made for funding for Local Projects from the Community Enhancement Fund;
- notifies the Company of each Local Project which is to be funded from the (c) Community Enhancement Fund, including the amounts of any funding.

#### 6.5 **Allocation of Funds**

- The Council must procure that the Committee makes recommendations to the (a) Council as to which of the Funding Applications the Committee recommends be funded from the Community Enhancement Fund.
- (b) The Council must
  - consider the funding recommendations of the Committee; and (1)
  - procure that full Council of Upper Lachlan Shire Council determines (2)which Local Projects will be funded from the Community Enhancement Fund.
- The Council must pay funds from the Community Enhancement Fund to each (c) Approved Local Project.

#### 6.6 **Public Recognition**

- If requested by the Company, the Council must publicly acknowledge: (a)
  - the payment of the Monetary Contributions by the Company; and (1)
  - the Company's role in funding any Approved Local Projects via the (2)Community Enhancement Fund.
- The form of public acknowledgment required by clause 6.6(a) is to be agreed by (b) the Council and the Company (acting reasonably) but may include:
  - the inclusion of the Company's logo in any advertisement for Funding (1) Applications or an announcement made in relation to the Approved Local Projects and funding determinations; and
  - where appropriate for particular approved Local Projects, a permanent (2)sign recognising that the Approved Local Project was funded by the Company via the Community Enhancement Fund.

#### 6.7 Auditing

- (a) During each year in which there are funds in the Community Enhancement Fund, the Council must appoint an Auditor to reconcile:
  - (1) the Monetary Contributions paid by the Company under clause 5; and
  - (2) any payments made by the Council in accordance with clause 6.5, and identify any corrective payments required.
- (b) The Company and the Council must make any corrective payments identified by the Auditor as being necessary to reconcile the Community Enhancement Fund.
- (c) The costs of the Auditor will be paid out of the Community Enhancement Fund.

#### 7 No Registration

The parties agree that this deed will not be registered on the Development Land pursuant to section 93H of the EP&A Act.

## 8 Disposal by the Company of its interest in the Development

- (a) Prior to the Company disposing of any part of its interest in the Development to any third party, the Company must procure entry by that third party into a deed with the Council and the Minister (as appropriate) on substantially the same terms and conditions as this deed.
- (b) Subject to the Company complying with its obligations under clause 8(a), the Council will release the Company from any further obligation under this deed on and from the date on which it ceases to have any interest in the Development.

#### 9 No fetter

Nothing in this deed shall be construed as requiring the Council to do anything that would cause it to be in breach of any of its obligations at law, and without limitation, nothing shall be construed as limiting or fettering in any way the exercise of any statutory discretion or duty.

### 10 Dispute Resolution

#### 10.1 Notice of Dispute

If a party claims that a dispute has arisen under this deed (Claimant), it must give written notice to the other party (Respondent) stating the matters in dispute and designating as its representative a person to negotiate the dispute (Claim Notice).

### 10.2 Response to Notice

Within 20 business days of receiving the Claim Notice, the Respondent must notify the Claimant of its representative to negotiate the dispute.

#### 10.3 Negotiation

The nominated representatives must:

- (a) meet to discuss the matter in good faith within 10 business days after service by the Respondent of notice of its representative; and
- (b) use reasonable endeavours to settle or resolve the dispute within 15 business days after they have met.

#### 10.4 Further Notice if not Settled

If the dispute is not resolved within 15 business days after the nominated representatives have met, either party may give to the other a written notice calling for determination of the dispute (**Dispute Notice**).

#### 10.5 Mediation

The parties agree that a dispute shall be mediated if it is the subject of a Dispute Notice, in which case:

- (a) the parties must agree the terms of reference of the mediation within 5 business days of the receipt of the Dispute Notice (the terms shall include a requirement that the mediation rules of the Institute of Arbitrators and Mediators Australia (NSW Chapter) apply);
- (b) the appointment of a Mediator will be agreed between the parties, or failing agreement within 5 business days of receipt of the Dispute Notice, either party may request the President of the Institute of Arbitrators and Mediators Australia (NSW Chapter) apply to appoint a mediator;
- (c) the Mediator appointed pursuant to this clause 10.5 must:
  - have reasonable qualifications and practical experience in the area of the dispute; and
  - (2) have no interest or duty which conflicts or may conflict with his function as mediator, he being required to fully disclose any such interest or duty before his appointment;
- (d) the Mediator shall be required to undertake to keep confidential all matters coming to his knowledge by reason of his appointment and performance of his duties;
- (e) the parties must within 5 business days of receipt of the Dispute Notice notify each other of their representatives who will be involved in the mediation;
- (f) the parties agree to be bound by any mediation settlement and may only initiate judicial proceedings in respect of a dispute which is the subject of a mediation settlement for the purpose of enforcing that mediation settlement;
- (g) in relation to costs and expenses:
  - (1) each party will bear their own professional and expert costs incurred in connection with the mediation;
  - (2) the costs of the Mediator will be shared equally by the parties unless the Mediator determines a party has engaged in vexatious or unconscionable behaviour in which case the Mediator may require the full costs of the mediation to be borne by that party.

#### 10.6 Litigation

If the dispute is not finally resolved in accordance with clause 10.5, either party is at liberty to litigate the dispute.

### 10.7 Exchange of information

The parties acknowledge that the purpose of any exchange of information or documents or the making of any offer of settlement pursuant to this clause is to attempt to settle the dispute between the parties. No party may use any information or documents obtained through the dispute resolution process established by this clause 10 for any purpose other than an attempt to settle a dispute between the parties.

#### 10.8 Continue to Perform obligations

Each party must continue to perform its obligations under this deed, notwithstanding the existence of a dispute.

#### 11 GST

#### 11.1 Interpretation

- (a) Except where the context suggests otherwise, terms used in this clause 11 have the meanings given to those terms by the *A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) Act 1999* (as amended from time to time).
- (b) In this clause 11:
  - (1) "monetary consideration" means any consideration expressed as an amount of money; and
  - (2) "non taxable supply" means a supply that is not a taxable supply.
- (c) Any part of a supply that is treated as a separate supply for GST purposes (including attributing GST payable to tax periods) will be treated as a separate supply for the purposes of this clause.
- (d) A reference to something done (including a supply made) by a party includes a reference to something done by any entity through which that party acts.

#### 11.2 Reimbursements

Any payment or reimbursement required to be made under this deed that is calculated by reference to a cost, expense, or other amount paid or incurred will be limited to the total cost, expense or amount less the amount of any input tax credit to which an entity is entitled for the acquisition to which the cost, expense or amount relates.

### 11.3 Additional amount of GST payable

If GST becomes payable on any supply made by a party ("Supplier") under or in connection with this deed:

- (a) any amount payable or consideration to be provided under any provision of this deed (other than this clause), for that supply is exclusive of GST;
- (b) any party ("Recipient") that is required to provide consideration to the Supplier for that supply must pay an additional amount to the Supplier equal to the

- amount of the GST payable on that supply ("GST Amount") at the same time as any other consideration is to be first provided for that supply; and
- (c) the Supplier must provide a tax invoice to the Recipient for that supply, no later than the time at which the GST Amount for that supply is to be paid in accordance with this clause.

#### 11.4 Variation

- (a) If the GST Amount properly payable in relation to a supply (as determined in accordance with clause 11.3), varies from the additional amount paid by the Recipient under clause 11.3, then the Supplier will provide a corresponding refund or credit to, or will be entitled to receive the amount of that variation from, the Recipient.
- (b) The Supplier must issue an adjustment note to the Recipient in respect of any adjustment event occurring in relation to a supply made under or in connection with this deed as soon as reasonably practicable after the Supplier becomes aware of the adjustment event.

#### 12 General

#### 12.1 Costs

Except to the extent otherwise expressly set out in this Deed, the parties agree to meet their own Costs in connection with:

- (a) the negotiation, preparation and execution of this deed;
- (b) performing its obligations under this deed; and
- (c) the advertising and exhibiting of this planning agreement in accordance with the EP&A Act.

#### 12.2 Notices

- (a) A party notifying or giving notice under this deed must do so in writing addressed to that party in accordance with the details nominated in Schedule 1 (or any alternative details nominated to the sending party by notice). Where a notice is sent by email, a copy must also sent by registered post to the relevant address.
- (b) A notice given in accordance with clause 12.2(a) will be deemed to have been given and received:
  - (1) if delivered by hand, on receipt;
  - (2) if posted via registered post, three business days after posting;
  - (3) if delivered by email, when the email (including any attachment) comes to the attention of the recipient party or a person acting on its behalf; and
  - (4) any notice received after 5.00 pm or on a day not a business day shall be deemed to have been received at 9.00 am on the next business day.

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#### 12.3 Waiver

- (a) The fact that a party fails to do, or delays in doing, something the party is entitled to do under this deed, does not amount to a waiver of any obligation of, or a breach of obligation by, another party;
- (b) A waiver by a party is only effective if it is in writing and signed by the party against whom the waiver is claimed;
- (c) A written waiver by a party is only effective in relation to the particular obligation or breach in respect of which it is given. It is not to be taken as an implied waiver of any other obligation or breach or as an implied waiver of that obligation or breach in relation to any other occasion.

#### 12.4 Governing Law

This deed is governed by New South Wales law and each party irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of courts exercising jurisdiction in New South Wales and courts of appeal from them in respect of any proceedings arising out of or in connection with this deed.

### 12.5 Prior Agreements Superseded

This deed:

- (a) wholly replaces and excludes all prior agreements, correspondence, negotiations, representations, explanations and statements between the parties covering or in connection with the matters covered by this deed; and
- (b) is the entire agreement between the parties in respect of the matters covered by this deed.

#### 12.6 Modification of Deed

No modification or alteration of any provision of this deed will be valid unless it is in writing and signed by all parties to this deed.

### 12.7 Representations and Warranties

The parties represent and warrant that they have power to enter into this deed and comply with their obligations under the deed and that entry into this deed will not result in the breach of any law.

#### 12.8 Severability

- (a) If any provision of this deed is invalid under the law of any jurisdiction the provision is enforceable in that jurisdiction to the extent that it is not invalid, whether it is in severable terms or not.
- (b) Clause 12.8(a) does not apply where the provision to be severed would materially adversely affect the nature or extent of a parties obligations under this deed.

### 12.9 Confidentiality, Media Releases and Enquiries

(a) The parties agree that the terms of this executed deed are not confidential and this deed may be treated as a public document and exhibited or reported without restriction by any party.

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If requested by a party, the other party must not issue, publish or authorise any (b) media release or advertisement concerning this deed, without obtaining the other party's prior written approval (which approval may not be unreasonably withheld).

### 12.10 Counterparts

This deed may be executed in any number of counterparts that together will constitute one instrument. A party may execute this deed by signing any counterpart.

#### 12.11 No Fiduciary Relationship

Nothing in this deed will be construed or interpreted as constituting the relationship between the parties as that of a partnership, joint venture or any form of fiduciary relationship.

#### 12.12 **Further Acts**

Each party must promptly execute all documents and do all things reasonably required to effect, perfect or complete this deed and all transactions incidental to it.

#### 12.13 **Enforcement**

Subject to compliance with clause 10, this deed may be enforced by any party in any court of competent jurisdiction.

### Schedule 1

#### Notice Details

The Upper Lachlan Shire Council

Address

44 Spring Street, Crookwell NSW 2583

Attention

General Manager - John Bell

Email

jbell@upperlachlan.nsw.gov.au

Crookwell Development Pty Ltd

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Suite 4, Level 3, 24 Marcus Clarke Street Canberra, ACT, 2600

Attention

Project Director - David Santo Tomas Menocal

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info@unionfenosa.com.au

### Executed as a deed

Signed sealed and delivered for The Upper Lachlan Shire Council