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Hon Raynor Asher KC

The Point Solar Farm Expert Panel Chair
c/o Environmental Protection Authority
Level 10, 215 Lambton Quay
Wellington 6011

Subject: Request for Further Suspension of Processing – The Point Solar Farm Application under the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024

Dear Hon. Raynor Asher KC,

We refer to our previous request for suspension of processing, which was granted until **20 July 2026**, in relation to the Point Solar Farm application (File ref: **FTAA-2509-1100**).

Far North Solar Farm Limited (FNSF) respectfully requests a **further suspension**, extending the suspension period until **30 August 2026**.

Since our previous request, FNSF and its specialist team have continued to review the extensive technical matters raised by the section 53 parties and the Expert Panel.

Proposed Approach to Responding

During the requested suspension period, FNSF will continue the specialist technical assessments and finalise a comprehensive response addressing the outstanding matters.

In particular, we refer to the following items referred to in the Panel's minute 20:

1. Additional time is required to secure an agreed avifauna compensation plan with DoC and other s53 parties, that is agreed to balance the potential effects. This requires more work from our specialist teams and detailed conversations with experts and the DoC team, as well as relevant s53 parties.
2. Additional work is required to complete the design of a comprehensive, statistically robust threatened-plant survey of the terrace edges, secure independent peer review, design, assess, and incorporate a minimum 50 m setback from terrace edges, and create adaptive management plans and review of these plans.
3. The negotiations required to provide long term protection for the predator fenced enclosure, as well as the research into the issues of salvage and relocation, and the potential effects of shading, micro climate effects and gains of the proposed reserve.
4. Seek mana whenua's views including any comment on the cultural dimensions of the three listed elements above.



FNSF's independent ecological consultants have advised that it is simply not practicable to provide the above information before 30 August.

FNSF remains fully committed to constructive engagement with the Panel, EPA, Department of Conservation, mana whenua and all section 53 parties. We are available at short notice for any clarification, expert conferencing or additional information the Panel may require.

FNSF confirms it is comfortable for the Panel to continue reviewing application material and taking such procedural steps as it considers appropriate during the suspension period, consistent with the basis on which the previous suspension was granted.

We respectfully request the Panel's favourable consideration of this extension request and would appreciate written confirmation at the earliest convenient opportunity.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard Homewood', written over a horizontal line.

Richard Homewood
Director
Far North Solar Farm Limited