

## Appendix B. Letter of Support



18 August 2017

Mr Duncan Mortimer  
Equis Australia Pty Ltd  
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Dear Duncan

Thank you for recently meeting with Council staff to discuss the future of solar farms on the fringe of Tailem Bend. We note that approval has recently been granted through the Section 49 process, for a solar farm on the corner of Substation Road and Lime Kiln Road and it is understood that construction will commence soon. Further to this, Council recognises that you are now planning for a second solar farm within the same locality, by purchasing adjacent parcels of land that also have a frontage to Substation Road.

Coorong District Council is highly supportive in principle of Equis Australia's proposal of a second solar farm on Substation Road, Tailem Bend. Given the planned second solar farm proposal would also use the same roads as the already approved solar farm, and it is proposed within a proposed Urban Employment Zone that Council is seeking to implement, it would be a desirable locality to pursue a Section 49 application with the SA Government. The subject site is also connected to a road network (that is only a short distance to the Dukes and Mallee Highways), which minimises traffic impacts on the nearby township of Tailem Bend.

Equis Australia's proposal of a second solar farm meets the following key strategies of Council's Strategic Management Plan;

- "3.2 *Plan for employment generating land uses to satisfy projected demand or to support industry innovation*".
- "3.4 *Encourage businesses to invest and locate within the district through a strong relationship with RDA Murraylands & Riverland, timely & helpful development/planning advice and advocating to government agencies.*"

Council is pleased to offer in principle support for Tailem Bend Solar Farm II, and awaits referral from the SA Government of a Section 49 application so that it can provide planning assessment advice. Should you require further information, please don't hesitate to contact the undersigned by phoning 1300 785 277, or email [vcammell@coorong.sa.gov.au](mailto:vcammell@coorong.sa.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

  
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