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Good Afternoon,

In response to a phone query from Mel this morning, I advise the following:

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Harmony will now submit applications for OIO consent for Harmony's interests in "sensitive" land for each of the projects. Harmony will prepare and submit the applications for OIO consent in parallel with preparation for the expert consenting panel process.

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As such, it is very unlikely that the OIO process would cause delays in the construction start date for these projects.

Harmony is also aware that under the Overseas Investment Act the responsible Minister has the power to "call in" for review an overseas investment in a "strategically important business" if the total electricity generation across multiple projects is more than 250MW. If all of Harmony's fast track referral applications were approved, and allowing for Harmony's interests in the already consented 147 MW Tauhei solar facility, Harmony would at the same time as submitting applications for interest in "sensitive" land, also voluntarily notify the OIO of investment in a strategically important business. Again, Harmony is confident that its standing as an experienced and reputable developer, and the significant public benefits of the investment mean that it is highly likely that the responsible Minister would issue a direction order allowing the investment to proceed.

If you have any further questions regarding this, please let me know.

With thanks
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