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Dear all

Happy New Year

I have commenced work to follow up with CASA on its intentions re the review of the advisory circular and also will be following up our last letters to Minister Albanese and the CEO of CASA regarding organising a delegation of wind industry representatives to come a discuss this issue further with them.

For your information/update below is the content of an email that I received from Frank Leonardi (CASA) today on the timeframes that they have in mind for a review of this circular.

The Clean Energy Council Wind Directorate will be discussing this further at its meeting in early February. In the interim I will be following up - as mentioned above, and also collating all of the material that you have all be sending in to me to start to develop a "draft" industry position on this matter.

Regards Sarah

*Hello Sarah*

*Happy New Year to you.*

*As you know Advisory Circular 139 - 18 was removed because legislation giving it the head of power was deemed to be applicable only to areas in the vicinity of a regulated aerodrome, that is the area around an aerodrome which is defined by the obstacle limitation surface (OLS) for the aerodrome. As wind farm developments tend to always be located outside this area the advisory circular is no longer applicable to these developments.*

*An internal CASA team comprising various areas of CASA and headed by flying operations specialists will shortly commence work on the review to identify associated operational risks to air navigation from an object, building or structure located away from a regulated aerodrome. It will consider current international rules/standards for obstacles away from aerodromes.*

*The earliest estimate for completion of the CASA review is mid year 2009. A discussion paper on the results of the CASA review will then be prepared and presented to industry as part of the proposed policy. Industry will then be given the opportunity to provide comment and feedback to CASA before a final position is established.*

*During this time wind farm developments proposed to be located beyond the limits of the OLS of an aerodrome will not be assessed by CASA. The proponent of the facility may still have a duty of care to local aviators who may want the wind turbines made conspicuous for flying at night or during periods of low visibility and if the owner of the wind farm wishes to provide appropriate obstacle lighting they may do so in accordance with the obstacle lighting standards set out in the CASA Manual of Standards (MOS) Part 139 - Aerodromes, Chapter 9.*

*Regards*

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