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Dear Mr Leslie

**Decision on approval
Googong Township Urban Development and Associated Infrastructure,
NSW**

I refer to your proposal to develop the Googong township subdivision, urban development works and the Googong Township Water Cycle Project in the Queanbeyan and Palerang local government areas, NSW.

I have considered the proposal in accordance with Part 9 of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act) and have decided to grant an approval to Googong Development Corporation. The details of my decision are attached. The proposal must be undertaken in accordance with the conditions specified in the approval.

I would appreciate your assistance by informing me when you start the action and who will be the contact person responsible for the administration of the approval decision.

Please note, any plans required as conditions of approval will be regarded as public documents unless you provide sufficient justification to warrant commercial-in-confidence status.

You should also note that this EPBC Act approval does not affect obligations to comply with any other laws of the Commonwealth, state or territory that are applicable to the action. Neither does this approval confer any right, title or interest that may be required to access land or waters to take the action.

The Department has an active audit program for proposals that have been referred or approved under the EPBC Act. The audit program aims to ensure that proposals are implemented as planned and that there is a high degree of compliance with any associated conditions. You should be aware that your project may be selected for audit by the Department at any time and all related records and documents may be subject to scrutiny. Information about the Department's audit strategy is enclosed.

I have also written to the following parties to advise them of this decision:

Commonwealth authority	Department of Finance and Deregulation
State/territory authorities	ACT Planning and Land Authority; NSW Department of Planning

If you have any questions about this decision, please contact the project manager and quote the EPBC reference number shown at the beginning of this letter.

Yours sincerely

Fiona Beynon
A/g Assistant Secretary
Environment Assessment Branch