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Dear Mr Catchpole

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Statement of Evidence for the above mentioned works for the Department of Defence.

A review of the Statement of Evidence to the Joint Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works has been carried out for compliance with the Energy in Government Operations (EEGO) policy.

The statement describes significant features aimed at ensuring energy efficiency in office accommodation under 2000 m²; however, the following matters require additional information and clarification:

- At Para. 83 regarding office accommodation over 2000 m², further details regarding the requirements under the EEGO policy need to be addressed. For example, in addition to the mentioned target rating of 4.5 star under the National Australian Built Environment Rating System, also known as NABERS, it is recommended that the statement include the principles embodied in the Green Lease Schedule, such as:
 - An ongoing energy management framework including the development and implementation of an energy management plan (EMP);
 - Separate digital on market status digital metering for office areas and central services;
 - Up to $10W/m^2$ for office lighting (preferred 6.8 W/m²); and,
 - Where available and cost-effective, office equipment will be US EPA 'Energy Star' compliant with power management features enabled at the time of supply.







If you wish to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact me on (02) 6274 1734 or at <u>lloyd.woodford@environment.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely

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