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Douw de Kock Chief Executive Officer RMS Utilities Pty Ltd 1207/9 Yarra Street South Yarra VIC 3141

By email:

Dear Mr de Kock,

## Re: Notice of Acceptance of eligibility to register network exemption – Willawong Distribution Centre

I refer to the application of The Trustee for Energy Bay Oscar Fund and Stockland Trust Management Ltd (**the Applicants**), lodged by RMS Utilities Pty Ltd as the authorised agent, for eligibility to register network exemptions under the requirements of clause 4.9 of the *Network Service Provider Registration Exemption Guideline* (**Network Exemptions Guideline**) to create an embedded network at Willawong Distribution Centre, Gooderham Road, Willawong, QLD 4110.

I am writing to inform you that the application satisfactorily addresses the requirements of clause 4.9. We therefore issue this Notice of Acceptance effective from 14 March 2025 and confirm that the Applicants are now eligible to register the relevant network exemptions for publication on the AER's public register of exemptions.

## Eligibility for exemption in relation to conversions of existing networks

In accordance with condition 4.1.12.1 of the Network Exemption Guideline, an embedded network must not be created without the written consent of existing energy consumers who will be included within the proposed network.

In addition, clause 4.9.7 stipulates that a network must not be converted until the effective date specified in this notice.

Parties who are issued with a Notice of Acceptance under clause 4.9 are eligible to register and hold network exemptions for the network at that particular site according to the appropriate activity class. Activity classes are detailed under Section 3 of the Network Exemption Guideline and are subject to the further conditions detailed in Section 4.

Failure to observe the conditions of exemption may render an exemption invalid. Owning, controlling or operating a network without registration with the Australian Energy Market Operator

(AEMO) or holding a valid exemption from the AER constitutes a breach of section 11(2) of the National Electricity Law.

## Additional conditions applicable to the network exemption class(es) registered

In addition to the conditions usually applicable to the network exemption class(es) held in relation to the embedded network at this site, the Applicant must also comply with the conditions of clause 4.9. These conditions concern:

- retaining consent records for a period of at least 2 years
- facilitating the continuation of a customer's energy contract with their current retailer
- maintaining a customer's direct connection to the registered distributor
- offer matching
- avoidance of duplicated network charges
- liability of the costs of metering/network changes
- the ability of metering arrangements to allow for access to retail competition.

For the full list of conditions refer to the Network Exemption Guideline.

If you have any further queries, or would like to discuss this further, please contact Tom Soo on

Yours sincerely

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Sent by email on: 14.03.2025