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Dear Dr Ross,

Re: Notice of Acceptance of eligibility to register network exemption – Sustainable Savings Pty Ltd / Community Corporation 22709 Inc – 227 North Terrace, Adelaide SA

I refer to the application of Sustainable Savings Pty Ltd / Community Corporation 22709 Inc (**Sustainable Savings**) for eligibility to register a network exemption under the requirements of section 4.9 of the Network Service Provider Registration Exemption Guideline (**Network Exemption Guideline**) to create an embedded network at 227 North Terrace, Adelaide SA 2155.

I am writing to inform you that, based on the information before me, I am prepared to:

- (a) accept Sustainable Savings' request to register a network exemption and supplied supporting material, as an application pursuant to section 4.9 of the Network Exemption Guideline, and
- (b) issue this Notice of Acceptance effective from 12 November 2021 and confirm Sustainable Savings is now eligible to register the relevant network exemptions for publication on the Australian Energy Regulator's (**AER**) public register of exemptions

Eligibility for exemption in relation to conversions of existing networks

The Network Exemption Guideline requires that where an existing electricity distribution system is proposed to be converted to an embedded or exempt network, formal approval from the AER must be sought.

In accordance with condition 4.1.12.1 of the Network Exemption Guideline, an embedded / private network must not be created without the express written consent of existing energy

consumers who will be included within the proposed network (affected energy consumers).¹ Parties intending to create such a network without the written consent of all affected energy consumers must meet the requirements stipulated in section 4.9 of the Network Exemption Guideline to be eligible for network exemption.

In addition, section 4.9.7 of the Network Exemption Guideline stipulates that a network must not be converted until the effective date specified in a notice issued by the AER.

Parties who are issued with a Notice of Acceptance under section 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 of the Network Exemption Guideline.

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 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

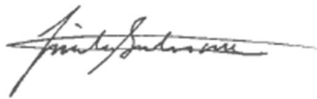
In addition to the conditions usually applicable to the network exemption class(es) held in relation to the embedded network at this site, the Applicant must also comply with the conditions of section 4.9 of the Network Exemption Guideline. These conditions concern:

- 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; and
- the ability of metering arrangements to allow for access to retail competition.

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

If you have any further queries, or would like to discuss this further, please contact me on (03) 9658 6485.

Yours sincerely,



Mila Sudarsono
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¹ This condition applies wherever an exempt customer is eligible under State or Territory legislation to purchase energy from a retailer of their choice.