

Our Ref: 213092 / E-2530

Your Ref: Cardinal Freeman, The Residences

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Ms Fiona Russell, Village Manager Cardinal Freeman The Residences 137 Victoria Street Ashfield NSW 2131

By email: fiona.russell@stockland.com.au
cc: damian@networkenergy.com.au

Dear Ms Russell,

Re: Notice of Acceptance of eligibility to register network exemption – Stockland Aevum Limited – Cardinal Freeman The Residences

I refer to Stockland Aevum Limited's (**Stockland**) application seeking approval to expand its existing embedded network at the Cardinal Freeman The Residences site –137 Victoria Street, Ashfield NSW 2131 – to include two additional residential buildings, Glentworth House and Seaview Heights. You have advised us that it is Stockland's intention to include these buildings within the existing embedded network at this site.

We consider that Stockland's application for an embedded network expansion, involving a retrofit, has satisfactorily addressed the eligibility requirements of section 4.9 of the Network Service Provider Registration Exemption Guideline (**Network Exemption Guideline**). We note Stockland currently holds an NR3 exemption registration for the site. As such, we acknowledge, effective 10 February 2022, that Stockland's NR3 exemption for Cardinal Freeman The Residences now includes Glentworth House and Seaview Heights. This update will be reflected on your exemption record (ref <u>E-2530</u>) on our 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/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). Parties intending to create such a network without the written consent

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

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 this notice.

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.

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 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 refer to the Network Exemption Guideline.

If you have any further queries, or would like to discuss this further, please contact Donna Bennetts on (03) 9910 9567.

Yours sincerely

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Compliance and Enforcement Branch

Sent by email on: 15 March 2022