

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF VICTORIA
AT MELBOURNE
COMMON LAW DIVISION

S CI 2009 04788

BETWEEN:

CAROL ANN MATTHEWS

Plaintiff

and

AUSNET ELECTRICITY SERVICES PTY LTD (ACN 064 651 118)
(and others in accordance with the attached Schedule)

Defendants



JUDGE:

The Honourable Justice J Forrest

DATE MADE:

20 March 2018

ORIGINATING PROCESS:

Amended writ dated 5 August 2010

HOW OBTAINED

At the case management conference on 20 March 2018

ATTENDANCE:

Mr A Watson, Scheme Administrator of the Settlement
Distribution Scheme (SDS)

OTHER MATTERS:

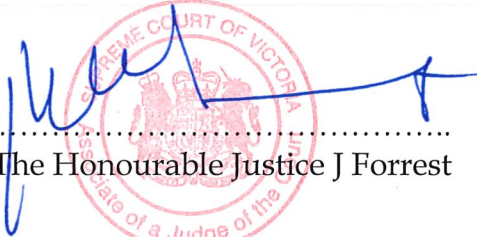
The court notes:


- (a) on 13 June 2017, it approved settlement administration costs in the amount of \$3,810,117.94, or the amount showing on Maurice Blackburn's finalised settlement administration invoices for the period 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017;
- (b) any amount referred to in (a) was only to be payable to Maurice Blackburn on adoption by the Court of the Special Referee's report that such amount was reasonable;
- (c) the Special Referee has reported that Maurice Blackburn's settlement administration costs in the sum of \$2,990,259.63 for the period 1 January 2017 to 30 November 2017 are reasonable; and
- (d) the affidavits of Mr A Watson, Scheme Administrator, sworn 1 March 2018 and 9 March 2018, respectively.

THE COURT ORDERS THAT:

1. The Court adopts the Special Referee's report on costs dated 2 March 2018.
2. Pursuant to sections 33V and 33ZF of the *Supreme Court Act* and in accordance with section I1.1 of the SDS the sum of \$2,990,295.63 be paid to Maurice Blackburn for settlement administration costs and disbursements incurred for the period 1 January 2017 to 30 November 2017.
3. Liberty to apply.

DATE AUTHENTICATED: 21 March 2018


The Honourable Justice J Forrest



SCHEDULE OF PARTIES



S CI 2009 04788

BETWEEN:

CAROL ANN MATTHEWS

Plaintiff

and

AUSNET ELECTRICITY SERVICES PTY LTD (ACN 064 651 118)

First
Defendant

ACN 060 674 580 PTY LTD (ACN 060 674 580)

Second
Defendant

SECRETARY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND
PRIMARY INDUSTRIES (formerly Secretary to the Department of
Sustainability and Environment)

Third
Defendant

COUNTRY FIRE AUTHORITY

Fourth
Defendant

STATE OF VICTORIA

Fifth
Defendant

AND

AUSNET ELECTRICITY SERVICES PTY LTD

Plaintiff by
Counterclaim

(ACN 064 651 118)

and

ACN 060 674 580 PTY LTD (ACN 060 674 580)

First Defendant by
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SECRETARY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENT AND PRIMARY INDUSTRIES
(formerly Secretary to the Department of
Sustainability and Environment)

Second Defendant by
Counterclaim

COUNTRY FIRE AUTHORITY

Third Defendant by
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STATE OF VICTORIA

Fourth Defendant by
Counterclaim

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Fifth Defendant by
Counterclaim