

## Annexure A

### SUPREME COURT OF VICTORIA

### TERANG FIRE CLASS ACTION

LENEHAN

v

POWERCOR AUSTRALIA LIMITED  
(S CI 2018 01290)

### NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT APPROVAL

This notice relates to a class action commenced in the Supreme Court of Victoria as a result of the Terang Fire which started on 17 March 2018 near the intersection of the Princes Highway and Peterborough Road, Terang in the State of Victoria (**Terang Fire**).

The Supreme Court has ordered that this notice be provided to inform group members that a settlement of the class action on behalf of victims of the Terang Fire has now been approved by the Court.

#### **Settlement of the Class Action**

The defendant to the class action is Powercor Australia Limited.

The parties have agreed to a settlement of the class action, under which the defendant has agreed to pay \$17,500,000.00 (\$17.5 million) (**Settlement Sum**) inclusive of the plaintiff's legal costs, without any admission of liability. The terms of the settlement of the proceeding are set out in a settlement agreement that has been signed on behalf of the plaintiff and the defendant.

On 20 December 2019, the Supreme Court approved the settlement. The Court approval means that the settlement becomes binding on you and all other persons who fall under the definition of group member in the proceeding.

#### **Distribution of the Settlement Sum**

The plaintiff is making application to the Supreme Court for the approval of a scheme for the distribution of the Settlement Sum between group members. On 16 December 2019 the plaintiff's solicitors were directed to file further material with the Court in relation to the plaintiff's proposed settlement distribution scheme. The Court has not yet approved a distribution scheme. Once a scheme has been approved, registered group members' individual entitlements to compensation will be assessed and the Settlement Sum will be distributed.

**You do not need to do anything at this time. You will be given further notice once a settlement distribution scheme has been approved.**

**Address for questions**

If you have any questions about the settlement or this notice, you can contact Maddens Lawyers at any time, or seek your own independent legal advice.

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