

Green Bond Framework for hummgroup Green ABS Notes

humm group limited's (formerly FlexiGroup Limited's) green ABS notes (the **Green ABS Notes**) are issued to re-finance solar receivables (including residential solar PV systems and supporting infrastructure including inverters, transformers, energy storage systems and control systems plus solar hot water systems) originally funded via bank-provided warehouse facilities held by humm group limited (**humm**group), via term securitisations in the Australian asset-backed securitisation market.

These solar receivables form part of larger portfolios of consumer receivables originated by Certegy Ezi-Pay Pty Ltd (**Certegy**), a wholly owned subsidiary of **humm**group. The underlying collateral backing **humm**group's ABS term securitisations comprise portfolios of consumer receivables for financing home improvement products (including solar PV), medical services, jewellery and other small ticket goods with a maximum term of 60 months.

hummgroup's Green ABS Notes meet the requirements for certification under the current version of the Climate Bonds Standard (Version 3.0). The climate-related objectives of **humm**group's Green ABS Notes are to provide for the funding of renewable energy. The underlying solar receivable assets will directly contribute to climate change mitigation by avoiding (or reducing) greenhouse gas emissions by generating renewable energy, reducing energy demand, improving energy efficiency or utilising renewable energy sources.

hummgroup has been issuing Green ABS Notes via term securitisation transactions since 2016. The first transaction, known as 'Flexi ABS Trust 2016-1', was the sixth securitisation of consumer receivables originated by Certegy. The A\$247m collateral pool of consumer receivables included approximately 38% (or A\$93 million) of solar consumer receivables for financing of residential solar PV systems and other solar equipment (solar hot water systems, solar air-conditioning systems, batteries, inverters etc). Of this A\$93m approximately 87%, or A\$81m, were identified as solar PV products (i.e. household solar PV systems) and were linked to the Flexi ABS Trust 2016-1 Class A2-G Notes, being the Green ABS Notes. In 2017 the Climate Bonds Initiative published updated sector criteria for Solar (Version 2.1) which allow for a broader range of solar PV related assets to be earmarked against Climate Bond certified bonds and in 2020 the Climate Bonds Initiative published a further updated Climate Bonds Standard (Version 3.0) which provides for improved disclosure and reporting.

Subsequent to the 'Flexi ABS Trust 2016-1' issuance, **humm**group has issued further Green ABS Notes across five additional transactions – 'Flexi ABS Trust 2017-1', 'Flexi ABS Trust 2018-1', 'Flexi ABS Trust 2019-2' and 'Flexi ABS Trust 2020-1'.

Transaction	Green ABS Notes	lssue Amount	Pricing Date	Final Maturity Date	ISIN
	Class A2-G	A\$54.9m			AU3FN0046876
Flexi ABS Trust 2019-1 (A\$300m)	Class B-G	A\$19.2m	21 March 2019	July 2024	AU3FN0046884
	Class C-G	A\$16.8m			AU3FN0046892

Outstanding hummgroup Green ABS Notes (as at 31 May 2021)



Flexi ABS Trust 2019-2 (A\$265m)	Class A1-G	A\$47.70m	21 November 2019	April 2025	AU3FN0051678
	Class B-G	A\$21.46m			AU3FN0051686
	Class C-G	A\$18.29m			AU3FN0051694
	Class D-G	A\$10.86m			AU3FN0051702
	Class E-G	A\$4.51m			AU3FN0051710
Flexi ABS Trust 2020-1 (A\$250m)	Class A1-G	A\$40.00m	22 October 2020	April 2026	AU3FN0056545
	Class B-G	A\$19.60m			AU3FN0056552
	Class C-G	A\$16.00m			AU3FN0056560
	Class D-G	A\$11.15m			AU3FN0056578
	Class E-G	A\$9.75m			AU3FN0056586

The 'Flexi ABS Trust 2016-1' transaction was called in July 2018, the 'Flexi ABS Trust 2017-1' transaction was called in July 2019 and the 'Flexi ABS Trust 2018-1' transaction was called in October 2020 and in each case, all outstanding notes (including the Green ABS Notes) were redeemed in full.

1. Use of Proceeds

The cornerstone of a "green bond" is the use of proceeds. The proceeds of each Green ABS Note will be used to re-finance assets that are consistent with delivering a low carbon and climate resilient economy. Green ABS Note proceeds will be earmarked against portfolios of existing household consumer receivables which meet Climate Bonds Standard certification requirements, including sector criteria for solar.

Specifically, these include consumer receivables for financing of rooftop solar PV systems for residential solar PV systems and other solar equipment (solar hot water systems, solar air-conditioning systems, batteries, inverters etc) for Australian households.

2. Selection of Eligible Projects and Assets

The selection of portfolios of eligible assets for each Green ABS Note is performed by a team from **humm**group. Guidance and advice will be sought from DNV GL, the independent green bond Verification Agent retained by **humm**group, and the advisory team at the Climate Bonds Initiative, as necessary.

hummgroup, via its wholly owned subsidiary Certegy, originates, services and monitors the portfolios of consumer solar receivables which are originated via a network of over [360] accredited merchants across Australia. As part of this process, Certegy scrutinises applications received from merchants and consumers to ensure they meet their origination requirements, including those for financing of solar PV or other solar equipment. The solar industry sector is Certegy's most heavily scrutinised industry sector.

A broad sample of Certegy customers who finance rooftop solar PV systems and other solar equipment are contacted by Certegy after installation to confirm installation, home ownership,



deposits paid and sound sales and service techniques have been provided by the merchants. These are noted in Certegy's core systems under the customer's records.

For the 'Flexi ABS Trust 2016-1' and 'Flexi ABS Trust 2017-1' transactions, only solar receivables which were identified under Certegy's "Solar" Industry category and then as either of "Solar", "Solar PV" or "Solar System" in the Product Category of each Customer Application/Contract (i.e. rooftop Solar PV systems) were linked to the Green ABS Notes.

For the Flexi ABS Trust 2018-1, Flexi ABS Trust 2019-1, Flexi ABS Trust 2019-2 and Flexi ABS Trust 2020-1transactions solar receivables which met the updated Climate Bonds Standard sector criteria for Solar (Version 2.1) were earmarked, including residential solar PV systems and other solar equipment (solar hot water systems, solar air-conditioning systems, batteries, inverters etc). Subsequent **humm**group transactions are expected to satisfy the Climate Bonds Standard sector criteria for Solar criteria for Solar in place at the time of certification.

3. Management of Proceeds

hummgroup is an established, reputable and diversified full-service payments company with leading offerings in buy now pay later, revolving credit and SME finance. It is listed on the ASX with operations in Australia, New Zealand and Ireland. It is also an established issuer of ABS backed by portfolios of consumer and commercial receivables across both Australia and New Zealand.

Through its in-house origination and servicing capabilities, **humm**group is able to sort, analyse and extract reporting on the underlying consumer contracts that back the Solar PV receivables that will meet Climate Bonds Standard eligibility requirements for each securitisation transaction. Proceeds from each Green ABS Note will be tracked and reported against the outstanding eligible solar receivables under the customer product category (Solar/Solar PV/Solar Systems) earmarked for each securitisation transaction. These will be tracked and reported through **humm**group's monthly investor reporting.

4. Reporting

hummgroup will comply with the annual reporting requirements set out in the Climate Bonds Standard (Version 3.0).

hummgroup will provide publicly available reporting for each Green ABS Note in the form of a DNV GL Verification Report to be issued following the settlement of each **humm**group ABS transaction which includes Green ABS Notes. **humm**group will engage DNV on an annual basis to obtain an updated DNV GL Verification Report until repayment of the related Green ABS Notes.

Each DNV GL Verification Report will include details including, but not limited to:

- Net proceeds raised from each Green ABS Note;
- Aggregate of Green ABS Note proceeds allocated against each of the Green ABS eligible categories;
- A description of each eligible asset category included within the Green ABS eligible portfolio/s;
- Where available, qualitative and quantitative performance measures of the environmental objectives of the assets within the Green ABS eligible portfolios;
- Any unallocated Green ABS Note proceeds; and



• Confirmation that the use of proceeds of each Green ABS Note is in compliance with this **humm**group Green Bond Framework.

Information disclosed for eligible assets will be subject to relevant confidentiality agreements and available information.

In addition, the Trustee (Perpetual Corporate Trust Limited) for each securitisation transaction will make investor reports for each **humm**group ABS Trust transaction available on a monthly basis on their website for all investors. These reports will include details such as performance of the underlying portfolio collateral, details of the repayment of principal and interest in accordance with the principal and interest repayment waterfalls as defined within the contractual documentation and the balances outstanding against each note (including the Green ABS Notes).

hummgroup expects to provide reporting on the underlying Solar PV receivables linked to each Green ABS Note, including the number of customer contracts and their outstanding balances.

5. Assurance

Prior to the issuance of the Green ABS Notes, **humm**group will obtain an independent verification statement from DNV GL, a Climate Bonds Initiative approved Verification Agent, confirming that the Green Bond Framework for Green ABS Notes is in compliance with the requirements of the Climate Bonds Standard.

For each Green ABS Note issued, **humm**group will seek verification from DNV GL and then certification from the Climate Bonds Standard Board that it is in compliance with the requirements of the Climate Bonds Standard.

On an annual basis, **humm**group will engage DNV GL to independently verify that each outstanding Flexi Green ABS Note remains in compliance with this Green ABS Framework and the requirements of the Climate Bonds Standard.

The independent DNV GL Verification Reporting will be made publicly available on the **humm**group website.



Typical hummgroup Green ABS Structure



Notes:

- 1. For complete details of each **humm**group transaction, investors and interested parties should refer to the transaction specific final Information Memorandum and the underlying transaction documents.
- 2. The Class A1-G, B-G, C-G, D-G and E-G Notes in respect of each transaction are Climate Bond Certified "Green Bonds" with proceeds from the issuance used to finance solar energy related assets. DNV GL, an independent verification agent, will verify that the relevant Class A1-G, Class B-G, Class C-G, Class D-G And Class E-G Notes meet the requirements for certification under the Climate Bonds Standard and the Climate Bonds Standards Board will then confirm and issue the Climate Bond certification.
- 3. Whilst the relevant Class A1-G, Class B-G, Class C-G, Class D-G And Class E-G Notes are earmarked against the outstanding amount of solar receivables; the Class A1-G Notes rank *pari passu* to the Class A1 Notes in terms of Principal Repayments, Interest Repayments and Loss Allocations.
- 4. Tracking and reporting on use of Green ABS proceeds until bond maturity will be checked and certified in compliance with Climate Bonds Standards by DNV GL.
- 5. Flexi/humm ABS Trust securitisations will be collateralised by portfolios of fully amortising Australian dollar consumer receivables.