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Dear Mr Mullighan

APPLICATION UNDER THE *FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 1991*

I refer to your application made under the *Freedom of Information Act 1991* (FOI Act), dated 10 May 2019.

Your application seeks access to:

"All minutes, briefings and correspondence titled 'Lifetime Support Authority Contingent Limit with Commonwealth' as described on the Objective document management system, between 12 July 2018 and 10 May 2019."

The legislative prescribed timeframe to determine this application has expired and is now deemed to have refused you access to all documents relevant to your application. I refer to my letter dated 26 May 2019 where I sought additional time to make my determination.

The purpose of this letter is to advise you of my determination. An extensive search was conducted within this office. A total of 1 document was identified as answering the terms of your application

I grant you access in full to 1 document; a copy of which is enclosed.

Please note, in compliance with Premier and Cabinet Circular PC045 - *Disclosure Logs for Non-Personal Information Released through Freedom of Information* (PC045), the Department of Treasury and Finance is now required to publish a log of all non-personal information released under the *Freedom of Information Act 1991*.

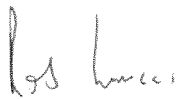
In accordance with this Circular, any non-personal information determined for release as part of this application, may be published on the DTF website. A copy of PC045 can be found at the following address: <https://dpc.sa.gov.au/resources-and-publications/premier-and-cabinet-circulars>. Please visit the website for further information.

As I am determining this application as Principal Officer, Section 29(6) of the Act does not provide for an internal review. If you are dissatisfied with my determination you are entitled to exercise your rights of external review with the Ombudsman.

Alternatively, you can apply to the South Australian Civil and Administrative Tribunal. If you wish to seek a review, Section 39(3) of the Act states you must do so within 30 calendar days of receiving the determination.

If you require any further information, please contact Vicky Cathro on 8226 9769.

Yours sincerely



Hon Rob Lucas MLC
Principal Officer

27 August 2019

MINUTE

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MINUTES forming ENCLOSURE to

Doc no: R0000084909

To: The Treasurer

From: Chief Executive, Lifetime Support Authority

LIFETIME SUPPORT AUTHORITY CONTINGENT LIMIT WITH COMMONWEALTH

BANK Timing: ROUTINE (for pilot commencing 19/11/18)

Recommendations/Issues:

It is recommended that you:

- Approve the Lifetime Support Authority (LSA) to establish a "contingent limit" with the Commonwealth bank, to implement its LanternPay automated payment platform for Lifetime Support Scheme service providers.
- Note your approval is requested, per s20 of the *Motor Vehicle Accidents (Lifetime Support Scheme Act) 2013*, as banks refer to this limit as a "borrowing facility" and in accordance with Section 18 of the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987*.
- Note that in practice the LSA's operating bank account will, at all times, have a working balance funds sufficient to satisfy payments through the system.
- Note the initial contingent limit will be \$100,000, to commence the LanternPay pilot on 19 November 2018, and that the LSA will adjust this over time if and as required.

Approved / Not-Approved

Rob Lucas

Hon Rob Lucas MLC
Treasurer

25/11/18

Key Points:

- The Lifetime Support Authority (LSA) has now accepted 211 participants through the Lifetime Support Scheme (LSS). More than 1800 service providers have been engaged for treatment, care and support services to date, and in 2018-19, more than 12,000 invoices are expected to be processed.
- The LSA is proactively seeking to reduce both staff costs to process invoices, and delays in payments to providers, as the volume grows with more participants accepted into the LSS each year.
- To achieve this, the LSA is commencing a pilot of LanternPay, a cloud-based payment platform to enable automated, real-time authorisation of invoices and overnight cash settlement for service providers.
- LanternPay is already used by Victoria's Transport Accident Commission (TAC) and the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS).

- Significant work has been undertaken with Shared Services and the Department of Treasury and Finance to integrate systems.
- LanternPay's bank, Westpac, will need to communicate (via a direct entry ID) with the LSA's bank, Commonwealth Bank (CBA). A "contingent limit" must be established for Westpac to draw from LSA's CBA account. The limit, regarded by the banks as a borrowing facility, is a guarantee for payment, up to a designated limit. The initial limit will be established as \$100,000.
- Under section 20 of the *Motor Vehicles Accidents (Lifetime Support Scheme) Act 2013* and in accordance with Section 18 of the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987*, the LSA requires your approval to borrow money. While the contingent limit is not a borrowing facility per se, as the LSA will ensure its CBA account has sufficient funds for payments at all times, your approval is sought for the avoidance of doubt.

COST IMPLICATIONS

There are no cost implications associated with this proposal.

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**Tamara Tomic
Chief Executive
Lifetime Support Authority**

12 / 11 / 2018

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<p>Supported / Not Supported</p> <p><i>[Signature]</i></p> <p>David Reynolds <u>CHIEF EXECUTIVE</u> Department of Treasury and Finance Date <i>13.11.18</i></p>
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