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Dear Ms Centofanti

Freedom of Information – 2022/23 River Murray Flood Grants

I refer to your application under the *Freedom of Information Act 1991* (FOI Act), received by the Department of Treasury and Finance (DTF) on 9 June 2023.

Your applications specifically requested:

'A copy of all documents and data indicating the (a) Number of applicants; (b) Number of successful and unsuccessful applicants; & (c) Monetary figures relating to the 2022/23 River Murray Flood Irrigation infrastructure and electricity supply between 01/10/2022 and 05/06/2023. Date Period: 1/10/2022 - 8/06/2023'

'A copy of all documents and data indicating the (a) Number of applicants; (b) Number of successful and unsuccessful applicants; & (c) Monetary figures relating to the 2022/23 River Murray Flood Tax Relief between 01/10/2022 and 05/06/2023. Date Period: 1/10/2022 - 8/06/2023'

'A copy of all documents and data indicating the (a) Number of applicants; (b) Number of successful and unsuccessful applicants; & (c) Monetary figures relating to the 2022/23 River Murray Flood NGO Recovery Grants between 01/10/2022 and 05/06/2023. Date Period: 1/10/2022 - 8/06/2023'

'A copy of all documents and data indicating the (a) Number of applicants; (b) Number of successful and unsuccessful applicants; & (c) Monetary figures relating to the 2022/23 River Murray Flood Levee embankments engineering support between 01/10/2022 and 05/06/2023. Date Period: 1/10/2022 - 8/06/2023'

'A copy of all documents and data indicating the (a) Number of applicants; (b) Number of successful and unsuccessful applicants; & (c) Monetary figures relating to the 2022/23 River Murray Flood Levee construction and remediation grants between 01/10/2022 and 05/06/2023. Date Period: 1/10/2022 - 8/06/2023'

'A copy of all documents and data indicating the (a) Number of applicants; (b) Number of successful and unsuccessful applicants; & (c) Monetary figures relating to the

2022/23 River Murray Flood Small Business industry recovery grants between 01/10/2022 and 05/06/2023. Date Period: 1/10/2022 - 8/06/2023'

'A copy of all documents and data indicating the (a) Number of applicants; (b) Number of successful and unsuccessful applicants; & (c) Monetary figures relating to the 2022/23 River Murray Flood Small Business industry support grants between 01/10/2022 and 05/06/2023. Date Period: 1/10/2022 - 8/06/2023'

'A copy of all documents and data indicating the (a) Number of applicants; (b) Number of successful and unsuccessful applicants; & (c) Monetary figures relating to the 2022/23 River Murray Flood Travel cost relief between 01/10/2022 and 05/06/2023. Date Period: 1/10/2022 - 8/06/2023'

'A copy of all documents and data indicating the (a) Number of applicants; (b) Number of successful and unsuccessful applicants; & (c) Monetary figures relating to the 2022/23 River Murray Flood Individual and Family assistance between 01/10/2022 and 05/06/2023. Date Period: 1/10/2022 - 8/06/2023'

'A copy of all documents and data indicating the (a) Number of applicants; (b) Number of successful and unsuccessful applicants; & (c) Monetary figures relating to the 2022/23 River Murray Flood Essential Services Reconnection Grant between 01/10/2022 and 05/06/2023. Date Period: 1/10/2022 - 8/06/2023'

'A copy of all documents and data indicating the (a) Number of applicants; (b) Number of successful and unsuccessful applicants; & (c) Monetary figures relating to the 2022/23 River Murray Flood Re-establishment Grant between 01/10/2022 and 05/06/2023. Date Period: 1/10/2022 - 8/06/2023'

On 17 June 2023, you amended the scope of your application to:

'A table summary in relation to the River Murray flood relief efforts from 01/10/2022 to 08/06/2023, addressing:

- (a) The number of applicants;*
 - (b) Successful and unsuccessful applicants; and*
 - (c) Monetary figures*
- relating to:*

- o River Murray Flood Irrigation infrastructure and electricity supply*
- o River Murray Flood Tax Relief*
- o River Murray Flood NGO Recovery Grants*
- o River Murray Flood Levee embankments engineering support*
- o River Murray Flood Levee construction and remediation grants*
- o River Murray Flood Small Business industry recovery grants*
- o River Murray Flood Small Business industry support grants*
- o River Murray Flood Travel cost relief*
- o River Murray Flood Individual and Family assistance*
- o River Murray Flood Essential Services Reconnection Grant*
- o River Murray Flood Re-establishment Grant.'*

Under the FOI Act, an agency has 30 days to respond to a freedom of information request. As DTF did not respond to your request within the time frame required, the department is deemed to have refused you access to all documents relevant to your application. However, I have determined to process the request as if the statutory time frame had been met.

The purpose of this letter is to advise you of my determination.

Pursuant to Part 1, Section 4(4) and (5)(b) of the FOI Act, as DTF was able to produce the requested document due to the nature of the information readily held by the data management system, the document created is to be considered as a document held by the agency.

A total of 1 document was identified as answering the terms of your application and I have determined as follows:

- I grant you access in full to 1 document, 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), DTF is 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://www.dpc.sa.gov.au/resources-and-publications/premier-and-cabinet-circulars>. Please visit the website for further information.

Appeal Rights

If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of your FOI application, you have the right to make a complaint to the Ombudsman SA. Please contact the Ombudsman directly on (08) 8226 8699.

If you require any further information, please contact Kate Tonkin on (08) 7133 8080 or email FreedomofInformation2@sa.gov.au

Yours sincerely



Tonia Roache

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RIVER MURRAY FLOOD EVENT RELIEF MEASURES

An application has made by the **Hon Nicola Centofanti MLC** under the *Freedom of Information Act 1991* ('the FOI Act') for:

'A table summary in relation to the River Murray flood relief efforts from 01/10/2022 to 08/06/2023, addressing:

- (a) The number of applicants;*
- (b) Successful and unsuccessful applicants; and*
- (c) Monetary figures*

relating to:

- o River Murray Flood Irrigation infrastructure and electricity supply*
- o River Murray Flood Tax Relief*
- o River Murray Flood NGO Recovery Grants*
- o River Murray Flood Levee embankments engineering support*
- o River Murray Flood Levee construction and remediation grants*
- o River Murray Flood Small Business industry recovery grants*
- o River Murray Flood Small Business industry support grants*
- o River Murray Flood Travel cost relief*
- o River Murray Flood Individual and Family assistance*
- o River Murray Flood Essential Services Reconnection Grant*
- o River Murray Flood Re-establishment Grant'.*

The following information is provided in relation to the requested information as at 8 June 2023:

| Measure | No. Applicants | No. Successful | No. Unsuccessful | No. Pending | Expenditure to date |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|
| Primary Producer Irrigation Infrastructure Grant | 146 | 123 | 15 | 8 | \$2,140,976 |
| Flood Tax Relief | 10 | 8 | 2 | — | \$139,399 |
| Community Recovery Fund – NGO Grants | 4 | 4 | — | — | \$30,000 |
| Business Levee Embankments Engineering Support Grant | 16 | 16 | — | — | \$14,157 |
| Business Levee Embankments Remediation and Construction Grant | 55 | 45 | — | 10 | \$938,315 |
| Small Business Recovery Grant | 80 | 29 | 19 | 32 | \$685,510 |

| Measure | No. Applicants | No. Successful | No. Unsuccessful | No. Pending | Expenditure to date |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|-------------|---------------------|
| Small Business Industry Support Grant | 215 | 139 | 63 | 13 | \$1,390,000 |
| Travel Assistance Grant | 498 | 483 | 15 | — | \$144,300 |
| Personal Hardship Emergency Grant | 616 | 606 | 10 | — | \$406,820 |
| Essential Services Reconnection Grant | 198 | 189 | 4 | 5 | \$230,775 |
| Re-establishment Grant | 8 | 8 | — | — | \$135,000 |



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7 August 2023