

Community Solar Banks – Queensland

FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT – ENVIRONMENT

Table 1: Formalities and operation of schedule																															
Parties	Commonwealth Queensland (QLD)																														
Duration	This Schedule is expected to expire on 30 June 2026 or on completion of projects, including final reports, unless terminated earlier or extended as agreed in writing by the Parties.																														
Purpose	<p>This Schedule supports the delivery of an additional 10.6 Megawatts (MW) of solar capacity alongside Queensland's Local Renewable Energy Zones (LREZ) projects in Caloundra and Townsville.</p> <p>The expansion of the solar capacity to a total of 16.2MW will enable Queensland to enhance the LREZ projects and thereby increase the uptake of solar power within these areas.</p> <p>This expansion is expected to provide financial savings for up to 5,500 households, particularly those currently unable to access the benefits of solar including renters, apartment residents, and low-income households.</p>																														
Estimated financial contributions	<p>The Commonwealth will provide a total financial contribution of up to \$21.2 million to the Queensland Government.</p> <p>The QLD Government is providing the program management and administration for the installation of the additional 10.6MW of solar and the recruitment of up to 5,500 households for the delivery of energy savings as part of their LREZ projects.</p>																														
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Use of Commonwealth Funds	Commonwealth funding will only be used for capital expenditure towards the deployment of shared solar infrastructure described above.
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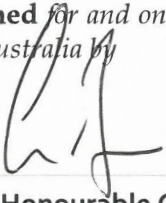
Table 2: Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary

Performance milestones	Report due	Payment
<p>Milestone 1</p> <p>Commonwealth acceptance of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Project Plan containing a description of the Solar Banks project, and how it integrates into the LREZ projects, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o implementation details with delivery models and customer benefits models and their related timelines, milestones and risks - Communications Plan including how the projects will target and recruit participants, including target groups <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Including providing the Commonwealth with any relevant media opportunities and recognition/co-branding on any related material - Monitoring and Evaluation Framework, which would include the collection of relevant data to perform an Evaluation outlined in Milestone 5. 	<p>10/11/2024</p>	<p>\$0</p>
<p>Milestone 2</p> <p>Commonwealth acceptance of a Progress Report containing evidence of satisfactory progress against the Project Plan including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Number of solar installations installed (number and size kW) - Number of households participating (total and subsets of target groups) - Energy cost reduction/bill savings to date (overall as well as per-household average) - Project expenditure report including the evidence of financial commitments and payments for solar installations under the Solar Banks and LREZ projects and the amount of program administration and management costs. Note the Commonwealth expects the solar installation/deployment for the LREZ component (5.6MW) to be at the same rate as the Solar Banks component (10.6MW). 	<p>10/05/2025</p>	<p>Up to \$10.6m based on the executed contracts for solar installations.</p>
<p>Milestone 3</p> <p>Commonwealth acceptance of a Progress Report containing evidence of satisfactory progress against the Project Plan including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Number of solar installations installed (number and size kW) - Number of households participating (total and subsets of target groups) 	<p>10/10/2025</p>	<p>Up to \$5.3m based on the executed contracts for solar installations.</p>

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<p>Milestone 5</p> <p>Commonwealth acceptance of a Final Report including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Number of solar installations installed (number and size kW) - Number of households participating (total and subsets of target groups) - Energy cost reduction/bill savings to date (overall as well as per-household average) - Project expenditure report including the evidence of financial commitments and payments for solar installations under the Solar Banks and LREZ projects and the amount of program administration and management costs. - Final Evaluation report completed in accordance with the requirements as specified in the Monitoring and Evaluation Framework noted in Milestone 1. 	<p>10/06/2026</p>	<p>\$0</p>

The Parties have confirmed their commitment to this schedule as follows:

Signed for and on behalf of the Commonwealth
of Australia by



The Honourable Chris Bowen MP
Minister for Climate Change and Energy

__ September 2024

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Signed for and on behalf of the
State of Queensland by



The Honourable Mick de Brenni MP
Minister for Energy and Clean Economy Jobs

20 September 2024