**Market Announcement** 

**Investor Communication** 

SPDR S&P World ex Australia Carbon Control Fund (WXOZ)

SPDR S&P World ex Australia Carbon Control (Hedged) Fund (WXHG)

SPDR S&P/ASX 200 Financials Ex A-REIT Fund (OZF)

SPDR S&P/ASX 200 Resources Fund (OZR)

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## **February 1, 2022**

The attached notice will be sent to all investors in the abovenamed funds today.

If you have any queries, please contact the registrar, Link Market Services Limited on 1300 665 385.

This announcement has been authorised by:

### **Peter Hocking**

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Dear Investor,

Firstly, thank you for your continued support and investment(s) in SPDR ETFs.

We are pleased to announce fee reductions to four of our SPDR ETFs in Australia, effective 14 February 2022. The changes relate to two international ETFs and two domestic sector ETFs and include cost reductions of between 6 and 14 basis points.

#### International ETFs

ASX Code	ETF Name	Previous Management Fee	New Management Fee
WXOZ	SPDR® S&P® World ex Australia Carbon Control Fund	0.30% p.a.	0.18% p.a.
WXHG	SPDR® S&P® World ex Australia Carbon Control (Hedged) Fund	0.35% p.a.	0.21% p.a.

#### **Australian Sector ETFs**

ASX Code	ETF Name	Previous Management Fee	New Management Fee
OZF	SPDR <sup>®</sup> S&P <sup>®</sup> /ASX 200 Financials EX A-REIT Fund	0.40% p.a.	0.34% p.a.
OZR	SPDR® S&P®/ASX 200 Resources Fund	0.40% p.a.	0.34% p.a.

These fee reductions will result in the realignment of the total cost of ownership for the funds, which is one of the key factors when selecting an ETF, along with the liquidity profile and the provider's track record.

We continuously evaluate our product lineup and pricing structure to ensure we are offering the best solutions for our investors. These changes represent the ongoing commitment to offer clients value without compromising on quality.

If you have questions regarding this or your SPDR ETF investments in general, please contact your Investment Professional or Link Market Services on +61 2 8280 7115 / email: SPDR@linkmarketservices.com.au.

Further product information can also be found at the SPDR ETFs website <a href="https://www.ssga.com/au">www.ssga.com/au</a>.

Thank you for investing with us.

Yours sincerely,

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