



15 February 2021

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Australian Stock Exchange
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RE: Contact Energy Limited (CEN)

Notice Pursuant to Clause 20(1)(a) of Schedule 8 to the Financial Markets Conduct Regulations 2014

1. Contact Energy Limited (**Contact**) announced on 15 February 2021 that it intends to undertake an offer of new ordinary shares in Contact by way of:
 - (a) a placement to eligible institutional and other selected investors to raise approximately \$325 million; and
 - (b) a retail offer to eligible shareholders with addresses in New Zealand and Australia to raise approximately \$75 million,(together, the **Offer**).
2. The Offer is being made to investors in New Zealand in reliance upon the exclusion in clause 19 of Schedule 1 to the Financial Markets Conduct Act 2013 (the **FMCA**). Contact will issue the relevant shares under the Offer to investors in Australia without disclosure under Part 6D.2 of the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth) (**Corporations Act**).
3. This notice is provided under:
 - (a) subclause 20(1)(a) of Schedule 8 to the Financial Markets Conduct Regulations 2014 (the **Regulations**);
 - (b) paragraph 708A(12J) of the Corporations Act as notionally inserted by ASIC Instrument 21-0114; and
 - (c) *ASIC Corporations (Share and Interest Purchase Plans) Instrument 2019/547* as amended by ASIC Instrument 21-0114.

4. As at the date of this notice:
 - (a) Contact is in compliance with the continuous disclosure obligations that apply to it in relation to the ordinary shares in Contact;
 - (b) Contact is in compliance with its financial reporting obligations (as defined in subclause 20(5) of Schedule 8 to the Regulations);
 - (c) Contact has complied with its obligations under rule 1.15.2 of the ASX Listing Rules; and
 - (d) there is no information that is "excluded information" (as defined in subclause 20(5) of Schedule 8 to the Regulations) in respect of Contact.
5. The Offer is not expected to have any material effect or consequence on the "control" (as defined in clause 48 of schedule 1 to the FMCA) of Contact.

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