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Affidavit

No. NSD616/2021

Federal Court of Australia

District Registry: New South Wales

Division: General

Westpac Banking Corporation ABN 33 007 457 141 and another named in the Schedule Applicants

Forum Finance Pty Limited ACN 153 301 172 and others named in the Schedule Respondents

Affidavit of: Rohan De Silva

Address: Confidential

Occupation: Head of Procurement

Date: 1 February 2022

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I, Rohan De Silva, Confidential Head of Procurement affirm:

- 1. Exhibited to me at the time of swearing this affidavit is a paginated bundle of documents marked 'Exhibit RS-1' (**RS-1**). Throughout this affidavit I refer to documents which appear within RS-1.
- 2. In the period from August 2013 until July 2019 I was employed by Coles Supermarkets Australia Pty Limited (**Coles**) in various roles. I have not been employed by Coles since that time.
- 3. In the period from November 2016 until July 2019, I was employed by Coles in the position of Senior Category Manager of Stores and Sustainability. Within this role, I was responsible for looking after the procurement of goods and services required for store operations for all Coles supermarkets. This included facilities management, waste recycling, security, cleaning, solar and various other matters.
- 4. In 2017-2018, at a time I cannot now recall, Coles was considering the options available to it for the purposes of managing waste disposal and recycling of food products. One of the initiatives that was being considered was the introduction of ORCA machines at the back of Cols Supermarkets for this purpose. To the best of my recollection, I was introduced to certain people from a company which I now know to be Forum to discuss the trial of various machines within a small number of Coles Supermarkets in this period. I believe the people from Forum to whom I was introduced were Mr Tas Papas (although I cannot be absolutely certain) and another person whose name I cannot now recall.
- 5. I was not heavily involved in this project. I was only involved in some discussions and left the arrangements to be dealt with by Vinay Parikh, who reported to me in my role at that time. I also recall that this project was being driven by the Sustainability team, principally Kristy Green, or her manager, Vikas Ahuja.
- 6. I have been shown an email chain dated 6 March 2018 which includes an email that appears to have been sent by me at 4:47pm to Tas Papas, copied to Vinay Parikh and Kristy Green, attaching a certificate of currency for Coles' liability insurance. A copy of this email and its attachment is at pages 1 to 2 of RS-1.
- 7. Whilst I do not recall sending this email to Tas Papas, I believe that I may have done so in the context of Coles trialling the ORCA machines in around 2018 as set out above.
- 8. To the best of my knowledge, apart from trialling a small number of ORCA machines in a rental arrangement, Coles did not have any other business with any company associated with Forum.

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- 9. In the course of preparing this affidavit, I have been shown:
 - (a) a Customer Payment Schedule dated 6 September 2018, which refers to the purchase of twenty-one 'ORCA OG25' units and seventeen 'ORCA OG15' units (Schedule 1) and a document titled Certificate of Acceptance of Delivery undated noting delivery on 7 September 2018 for the equipment referred to in Schedule 1. A bundle comprising these documents is at pages 3 to 9 of RS-1.
 - (b) a Customer Payment Schedule dated 27 September 2018 for the purchase of thirty-six 'ORCA OG25' units (**Schedule 2**) and a document titled Certificate of Acceptance of Delivery undated noting delivery on 2 October 2018 for the equipment referred to in Schedule 2. A bundle comprising these documents is at pages 10 to 15 of RS-1.
 - (c) a Customer Payment Schedule dated 9 October 2018 for the purchase of twenty-one 'ORCA OG25' units and twenty-fix 'ORCA OG15' units (**Schedule 3**) and a document titled Certificate of Acceptance of Delivery undated noting delivery on 10 October 2018 for the equipment referred to in Schedule 3. A bundle comprising these documents is at pages 16 to 22 of RS-1.
- 10. I note that each of the Certificates of Acceptance of Delivery (at pages 9, 15 and 22 of RS-1) contain a signature said to be that of Vinay Parikh and which is said to have been witnessed by me. As set out above, in 2018, Mr Parikh was a Procurement Category Manager who reported to me.
- 11. In relation to each of those Certificates of Acceptance of Delivery:
 - (a) other than being shown each of these documents for the purposes of preparing this affidavit, I have never seen those documents;
 - (b) the signatures on those documents which purport to be mine are not mine and I did not sign those documents;
 - (c) I did not authorise any person to sign the documents on my behalf or to affix an electronic signature on my behalf;
 - (d) I did not hold the title "Procurement Manager" at the time;
 - (e) to the best of my knowledge, Coles did not acquire any ORCA machines from any Forum entity. The only transaction between Coles and Forum (or any company associated with Forum) of which I am aware was one where Coles considered leasing ORCAs for a trial period. I do not recall whether Coles actually went ahead with that trial: and

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(f) I did not witness Mr Parikh sign these Certificates of Delivery on behalf of Coles. During my employment with Coles I do not recall witnessing Mr Parikh execute any document on behalf of Coles and I do not expect I would have ever done so. This is because neither Mr Parikh nor I had any signing authority on behalf of Coles. Any document of this kind would have required formal sign off and approval and would have been signed by limited people who had the delegated authority to sign such documents. Mr Parikh and I did not have such delegated authority.

Sworn by the deponent at Melbourne in Victoria on 1 February 2022

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Signature of deponent

Before me:

Signature of witness Simon Henry Brandis Solicitor

And as a witness, I certify the following matters concerning the person who made this affidavit (the deponent) in accordance with the requirements of section 27 of the Oaths and Affirmations Act 2018 (VIC):

- 1. The affidavit was signed or initialled by the deponent by an electronic signature.
- 2. I witnessed the deponent signing a copy of this affidavit by electronic signature in real time.
- 3. I attest or otherwise confirm witnessing the deponent's electronic signature over audio visual link.
- 4. I have used an electronic copy of the affidavit in completing the jurat requirements under section 26 of the Oaths and Affirmations Act 2018 (VIC).
- 5. I have confirmed the deponent's identity using the following identification document: Driver's License

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Schedule of Parties

No. NSD616/2021

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District Registry: New South Wales

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Applicants

First Applicant Westpac Banking Corporation ABN 33 007 457 141

Second Applicant Westpac New Zealand Limited (company registration number

company number 1763882)

Respondents

First Respondent Forum Finance Pty Limited (in liquidation) ACN 153 301 172

Second Respondent: Basile Papadimitriou

Third Respondent Vincenzo Frank Tesoriero

Fourth Respondent: Forum Group Financial Services Pty Ltd (provisional

liquidators appointed) ACN 623 033 705

Fifth Respondent: Forum Group Pty Ltd (Receivers Appointed) (in liquidation)

ACN 153 336 997

Sixth Respondent: Forum Enviro Pty Ltd (provisional liquidators appointed)

ACN 168 709 840

Seventh Respondent: Forum Enviro (Aust) Pty Ltd (provisional liquidators

appointed) ACN 607 484 364

Eighth Respondent 64-66 Berkeley St Hawthorn Pty Ltd ACN 643 838 662
Ninth Respondent 14 James Street Pty Ltd (in liquidation) ACN 638 449 206
Tenth Respondent 26 Edmonstone Road Pty Ltd (in liquidation) ACN 622 944

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Eleventh Respondent 5 Bulkara Street Pty Ltd (in liquidation) ACN 630 982 160

Twelfth Respondent 6 Bulkara Street Pty Ltd (in liquidation) ACN 639 734 473

Thirteenth Respondent 23 Margaret Street Pty Ltd ACN 623 715 373

Fourteenth Respondent

1160 Glen Huntly Road Pty Ltd ACN 639 447 984

Fifteenth Respondent

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Sixteenth Respondent

Canner Investments Pty Ltd ACN 624 176 049

Seventeenth Respondent

123 High Street Taradale Pty Ltd ACN 639 872 512

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Thirty-Ninth Respondent Mangusta (Vic) Pty Ltd ACN 631 520 682

Fortieth Respondent 193 Carlisle Street Enterprises Pty Ltd ACN 612 615 237 Forty-First Respondent 8-12 Natalia Ave Oakleigh Pty Ltd ACN 643 838 626

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Forty-Fifth Respondent Giovanni (John) Tesoriero Forty-Sixth Respondent Moussa (Tony) Bouchahine

Forty-Seventh Respondent Louisa Maria Agostino

Forty-Eighth Respondent D&D Group O.E

Forty-Ninth Respondent Aromatika Fyta Olympou Theion Ike

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