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# Independent Limited Assurance Report to the Management of AGL Energy Limited

#### Conclusion

We have undertaken a limited assurance engagement on AGL Energy Limited's ('AGL') subject matter detailed below (the 'Subject Matter') presented in the 2021 Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2021.

#### **Subject Matter**

#### Selected Annual KPI scorecard disclosures

The following performance data in respect of selected Annual KPI Scorecards Disclosures within the 2021 Annual Report Business Value Driver tables on pages 21-28.

- Customers:
  - Ombudsman complaints
  - Number of customers on Staying Connected
  - Average level of debt of customers on Staying Connected
  - Customer churn
- Communities & Relationships:
  - Community contribution
- People:
  - TIFR employees
  - TIFR (employees + contractors)
  - Fatalities (employees + contractors)
  - High potential near miss: recordable incident ratio
  - Material breaches of Code of Conduct
  - Key talent retention
- Environment:
  - Operated scope 1 + 2 emissions (MtCO2-e)
  - Controlled generation intensity (tCO2-e/MWh)
  - Emissions intensity of total revenue (ktCO2-e/\$m)
  - Controlled renewable and battery capacity (%)
  - Revenue from green energy and carbon neutral products (%)
  - Environmental Regulatory Reportable incidents
- Systems & Processes:
  - Reportable privacy incidents
  - Major IT incidents

### **Reporting Criteria**

AGL's definitions and approaches as described in the 'Glossary for the Business Value Drivers' section of FY21 Annual Report and on AGL's website at <a href="https://www.agl.com.au">www.agl.com.au</a>.

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Based on the procedures performed and the evidence obtained, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the Subject Matter is not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the Reporting Criteria for the year ended 30 June 2021.

#### Basis for Conclusion

We conducted our limited assurance engagement in accordance with Australian Standard on Assurance Engagements ASAE 3000 Assurance Engagements Other than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information ("ASAE 3000"), issued by the Australian Auditing and Assurance Standards Board.

We believe that the evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our conclusion

#### AGL's responsibilities

The Management of AGL are responsible for;

- Ensuring that the Subject Matter is properly prepared in accordance with the Reporting Criteria;
- confirming the measurement or evaluation of the underlying Subject Matter against the applicable criteria, including that all relevant matters are reflected in the subject matter information
- designing, establishing and maintaining internal controls to ensure that the Subject Matter is properly prepared in accordance with the Reporting Criteria
- selecting and applying appropriate reporting criteria; maintaining adequate records and making estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

#### Our Independence and Quality Control

We have complied with the independence and other relevant ethical requirements relating to assurance engagements and apply Auditing Standard ASQC 1 *Quality Control for Firms that Perform Audits and Reviews of Financial Reports and Other Financial Information, Other Assurance Engagements and Related Services Engagements* in undertaking this assurance engagement.

#### Assurance Practitioner's responsibilities

Our responsibility is to express a limited assurance conclusion on the Subject Matter based on the procedures we have performed and the evidence we have obtained.

ASAE 3000 requires that we plan and perform our procedures to obtain limited assurance about whether, anything has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the Subject Matter is not properly prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the Reporting Criteria.

A limited assurance engagement in accordance with ASAE 3000 involves identifying areas where a material misstatement of the subject matter information is likely to arise, addressing the areas identified and considering the process used to prepare the subject matter information. A limited assurance engagement is substantially less in scope than a reasonable assurance engagement in relation to both the risk assessment procedures, including an understanding of internal control, and the procedures performed in response to the assessed risks.

The procedures performed in a limited assurance engagement vary in nature and timing from, and are less in extent than for, a reasonable assurance engagement. Consequently, the level of assurance obtained in a limited assurance engagement is substantially lower than the assurance that would have been obtained had a reasonable assurance engagement been performed. Accordingly, we do not express a reasonable assurance opinion about whether the subject matter information has been properly prepared, in all material respects, in accordance the Reporting Criteria.

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#### Our procedures included:

- Review of AGL's processes relating to stakeholder identification, engagement and responsiveness, including an assessment of stakeholder engagement outcomes and how this process and the outcomes have been presented in the 2021 Annual Report
- Review of AGL's process to identify and determine material issues to be included in the 2021 Annual Report with examination of underlying assessments and evidence on a sample basis
- Interviews with a selection of AGL executives and senior management, including AGL's sustainability
  management team concerning the overall governance structure, corporate sustainability strategy and
  policies used for managing and reporting sustainability performance across the business
- In respect of the FY21 Selected Annual KPI scorecard disclosures
  - interviews with a selection of AGL management responsible for selected FY21 Annual KPI scorecard disclosures to understand the compilation and review processes
  - conducting site visits at a sample of facilities
  - applying analytical and other review procedures including assessing relationships between the reported information and other financial and non-financial data
  - examination of evidence for a small number of transactions or events
  - analysing and inspecting on a sample basis, the key systems, processes and procedures and controls relating to the collation, validation, presentation and approval process of the information included in the 2021 Annual Report.
  - review underlying evidence on a sample basis to corroborate that the information is prepared and reported in line with the relevant reporting criteria."

#### Inherent limitations

Because of the inherent limitations of an assurance engagement, together with the inherent limitations of any system of internal control there is an unavoidable risk that it is possible that fraud, error, or non-compliance with laws and regulations, where there has been concealment through collusion, forgery and other illegal acts may occur and not be detected, even though the engagement is properly planned and performed in accordance with Standards on Assurance Engagements. Additionally, non-financial data may be subject to more inherent limitations than financial data, given both its nature and the methods used for determining, calculating, and sampling or estimating such data.

#### Restricted Use

This report has been prepared for use by the management of AGL for the purpose of assisting directors and management in their reporting of the Selected Annual KPI scorecard disclosures. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the Subject Matter to which it relates, to any person other than the management of AGL or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

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Sydney, 12 August 2021