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Independent Reasonable Assurance Report to the Directors and Management of Treasury Corporation of Victoria

Assurance conclusion

Based on our reasonable assurance procedures, as described below, in our opinion:

- TCV's bond issuance process including project selection for its Sustainability Bond, described in the TCV Sustainability Bond Documentation
- The use and management of proceeds described in TCV's Sustainability Bond Documentation and
- TCV's Impact Report dated 12 December 2022

meets the requirements of the International Capital Market Association's (ICMA) Sustainability Bond Guidelines, and associated Social Bond Principles and Green Bond Principles, in all material respects

Subject Matter and Criteria

The subject matter and associated criteria for this reasonable assurance engagement are set out in the table below.

Subject Matter	Criteria
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ TCV's Sustainability Bond post-issuance process, as described in TCV's Sustainability Bond Documentation ▶ The Impact Reported dated 12 December 2022 	<p>The International Capital Market Association's Sustainability Bond Guidelines (2021), Green Bond Principles (2021) and Social Bond Principles (2021) requirements on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Use of Proceeds ▶ Process for Project Evaluation and Selection ▶ Management of Proceeds ▶ Reporting. <p>Criteria found at this link: https://www.icmagroup.org/green-social-and-sustainability-bonds/</p>

Management Responsibility

The management of TCV ('Management') is responsible for the collection, preparation, and presentation of the Subject Matter in accordance with the criteria and for maintaining adequate records and internal controls that are designed to support the TCV Sustainability Bond Post-issuance Process.

Assurance Practitioner's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express a reasonable assurance opinion as to whether the subject matter is presented in accordance with the criteria, in all material aspects. Our assurance engagement has been planned and performed in accordance with the Australian Standard on Assurance Engagements 3000 (revised) Assurance Engagements Other Than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information ('ASAE 3000').

Level of Assurance

A reasonable assurance engagement consists of making enquiries and applying analytical, controls testing, and other evidence-gathering procedures that are sufficient for us to obtain a sufficient level of assurance as the basis for a positive form of conclusion. The procedures performed depend on the assurance practitioner's judgement, including the risk of material misstatement of the specific activity data, whether due to fraud or error. While we considered the effectiveness of Management's internal controls when determining the nature and extent of our procedures, our procedures were not designed to provide assurance on internal controls. We believe that the evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Our Approach

Our assurance procedures performed included, but were not limited to:

- ▶ Reviewing any changes to policies and procedures established by TCV related to the issuance of Sustainability Bonds.
- ▶ Conducting detailed testing of selected performance information, asset valuations, and key underlying assumptions to supporting documentation such as syndicated facility agreements, third party websites and databases publishing information including NABERS ratings, statistics around aged care facility beds, and education facility enrolments.



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- ▶ Reviewing the allocation and disbursement of net proceeds raised from the Sustainability Bonds to eligible assets.
- ▶ Checking the mathematical accuracy of calculations performed.
- ▶ Seeking management representation on key assertions.

Limitations

There are inherent limitations in performing assurance; for example, assurance engagements are based on selective testing of the information being examined. It is possible that fraud, error, or non-compliance may occur and not be detected. There are additional inherent risks associated with assurance over non-financial information including reporting against standards which require information to be assured against source data compiled using definitions and estimation methods that are developed by the reporting entity. Finally, adherence to ASAE 3000 and the Social Bond Principles (2021) and Green Bond Principles (2021) is subjective and could be interpreted differently by different stakeholder groups.

Our assurance was limited to the TCV 2022 Sustainability Bond Post-issuance Process and did not include statutory financial statements. Our assurance is limited to policies and procedures in place as of 07 December 2022. The firm performs other Advisory engagements for TCV. Other than these Advisory engagements the firm has no other relationships with, or interests in, TCV.

Use of Report

Our responsibility in performing our assurance activities is to the directors of TCV only and in accordance with the terms of reference for this engagement as agreed with them. We do not therefore accept or assume any responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person or organisation. Any reliance any such third party may place on TCV Sustainability Bond Post-issuance Process and Impact Report is entirely at its own risk. No statement is made as to whether the criteria are appropriate for any third-party purpose.

Our Independence and Assurance Team

In accordance with APES 110, the firm and all professional personnel involved in this engagement have met the independence requirements of Australian or International professional ethical requirements. Our team has the required competencies and experience for this assurance engagement.

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