

Approval to hold a stake in a financial sector company of more than 20% No. 15 of 2021

Financial Sector (Shareholdings) Act 1998

To: Arch Financial Holdings Australia Pty Ltd ABN 18 605 164 627 (Arch Financial Holdings) and the persons named in the attached schedule (the applicants)

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- A. The applicants have applied for an approval under section 13(1) of the *Financial Sector* (*Shareholdings*) *Act* 1998 (the Act), to hold a 100% stake in Westpac Lenders Mortgage Insurance Limited ABN 60 074 042 934 (Westpac LMI) and each of the companies listed in the attached Schedule 2 (the Companies), financial sector companies under the Act; and
- B. I am satisfied it is in the national interest to approve the applicants to hold a stake in the Companies of more than 20%,

I, John Huijsen, a delegate of the Treasurer, under subsection 14(1) of the Act, APPROVE the applicants to hold a stake in the Companies of 100%.

This instrument comes into force from the date that Arch Financial Holdings acquires a 100% stake in Westpac LMI and no later than 31 December 2021 and then will remain in force indefinitely.

Dated: 16 July 2021

John Huijsen, General Manager Insurance Division

Interpretation

In this instrument:

APRA means the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority.

financial sector company has the meaning given in section 3 of the Act.

stake in relation to a company, has the meaning given in clause 10 of Schedule 1 to the Act.

Note 1. This instrument will be registered on the Federal Register of Legislation as a notifiable instrument.

Note 2. The Treasurer or the Treasurer's delegate is required to give a copy of this instrument to the financial sector company.

Note 3. Section 19 of the Act provides for flow-on approvals for an approval under paragraph 14(1)(a) of the Act. If the approval relates to a financial sector company that is a holding company of an authorised deposit-taking institution or authorised insurance company, subsection 19(1) provides for flow-on approvals that relate to each financial sector company that is a 100% subsidiary of the holding company. If the approval is held by a company, subsection 19(3) provides for flow-on approvals to be held by each officer of the company.

SCHEDULE 1 - the persons, in addition to Arch Financial Holdings Australia Pty Ltd ABN 18 605 164 627 who applied for approval

- 1. Arch Financial Holding Europe III Ltd (an Ireland company);
- 2. Arch Reinsurance Ltd (a Bermuda company); and
- 3. Arch Capital Group Ltd (a Bermuda company).

SCHEDULE 2- the companies, in addition to Westpac Lenders Mortgage Insurance Limited ABN 60 074 042 934

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