

**Approval to hold the transferring business of a financial sector company No. 4 of 2024**

*Financial Sector (Shareholdings) Act 1998*

To: Bank Australia Limited ABN 21 087 651 607 (the applicant) SINCE:

1. the applicant and Lithuanian Co-operative Credit Society “Talka” Limited ABN 97 087 651 554 (the company) are financial sector companies;
2. more than 20% of the gross assets and liabilities of the company (the transferring business) are to be transferred to the applicant under the *Financial Sector (Transfer and Restructure) Act 1999*;
3. the applicant has applied to the Treasurer under subsection 13A(2) of the *Financial Sector (Shareholdings) Act 1998* (the Act) for approval to hold the transferring business; and
4. I am satisfied that it is in the national interest to approve the applicant holding the transferring business,

I, Stephanie Hewitt, a delegate of the Treasurer, under paragraph 14(1)(a) of the Act, APPROVE the applicant holding a 100% stake in the transferring business.

This instrument commences on the day it is made and remains in force indefinitely. Date: 21 February 2024

Stephanie Hewitt General Manager Banking Division APRA

**Interpretation**

In this instrument:

***APRA*** means the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority.

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

***transferring business*** has the meaning given in subsection 13A of the Act.

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

**Notes**

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

The Treasurer or the Treasurer’s delegate is required to give a copy of this instrument to the financial sector company and, where applicable, the relevant licensed company.

By operation of regulation 8 of the Financial Sector (Transfer and Restructure) Regulations 2018, the Act applies in relation to a transfer of business under the Financial Sector (Transfer and Restructure) Act 1999 as if section 13A was inserted into the Act.