# **CLEAN ENERGY FINANCE CORPORATION**

Financing Clean Energy – CEC Australian Clean Energy Summit
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#### **CEFC Mission**

Accelerate Australia's transformation towards a more competitive economy in a carbon constrained world, by acting as a catalyst to increase investment in emissions reduction

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# **Agenda**



- 1. How the CEFC works
- 2. Outlook & opportunities for investment
- 3. Barriers to investment and case studies







#### **About the CEFC**



#### Facilitating increased flows of finance into clean energy in Australia

- > Australian Government-owned corporation that operates like a traditional financier
- > Finance for renewable energy, energy efficiency, and low-emissions technologies
- > Access to \$2 billion a year over 5 years
- > Tailors finance terms to accommodate specific project needs
- > Can work on projects that are smaller, more complex or new to the Australian market
- > Facilitate the participation of private sector banks by sharing our expertise, acting as a co-financier and pioneering new financing structures.







#### **How the CEFC model works**



- > Commercial approach with tight criteria and filtering of investment projects to build a sustainable investment portfolio.
- > Partners with ARENA and financial institutions to co-finance
- > Our job is to overcome financing barriers to clean energy in Australia:
  - > From relatively new through to developed technology
  - Innovative financing structures
  - > Projects that are struggling to obtain finance



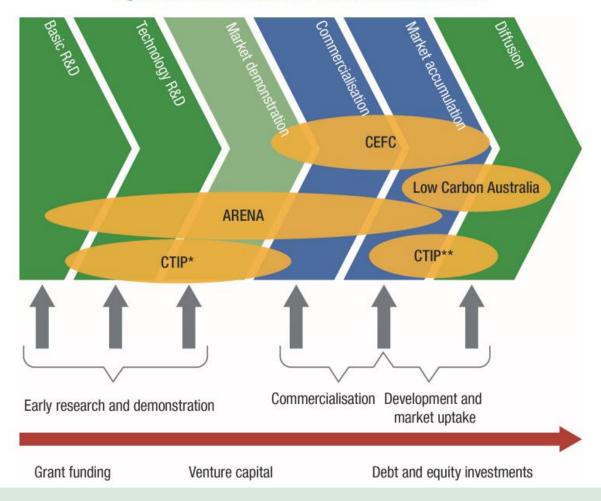




#### Where the CEFC invests







#### **RECOMMENDATION 3.3**

The CEFC focuses on projects and technologies at the later stages of development but does not exclude projects in the demonstration stage that can pass the commercial filter.

# **CEFC** commitments since inception



# \$1.4 billion

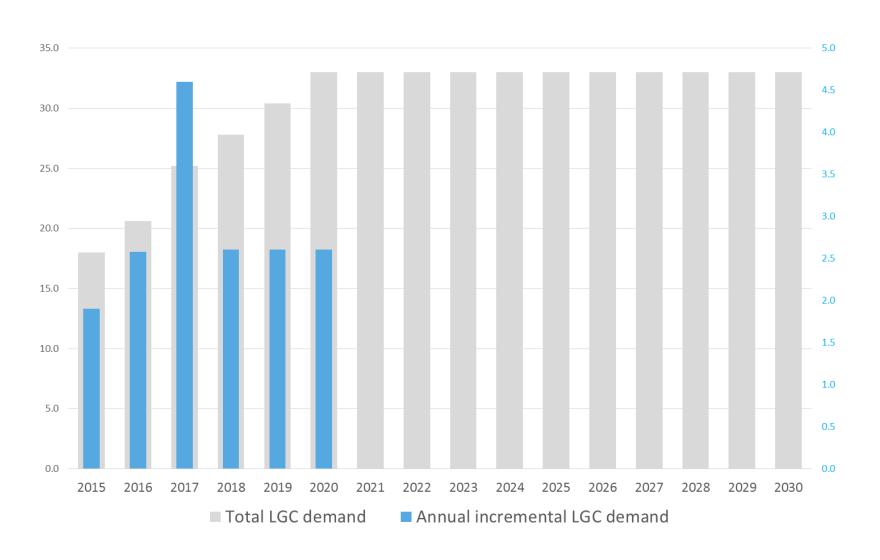
Investing alongside the private sector across industries to make Australia's buildings, equipment, vehicles and power generation cleaner and more efficient.

 $$484m\ in\ 14/15$  Solar \$105m Energy efficiency \$120m

Waste gas \$10m Climate bonds \$75m Green Buildings \$125m

# Large-scale challenges for large-scale projects





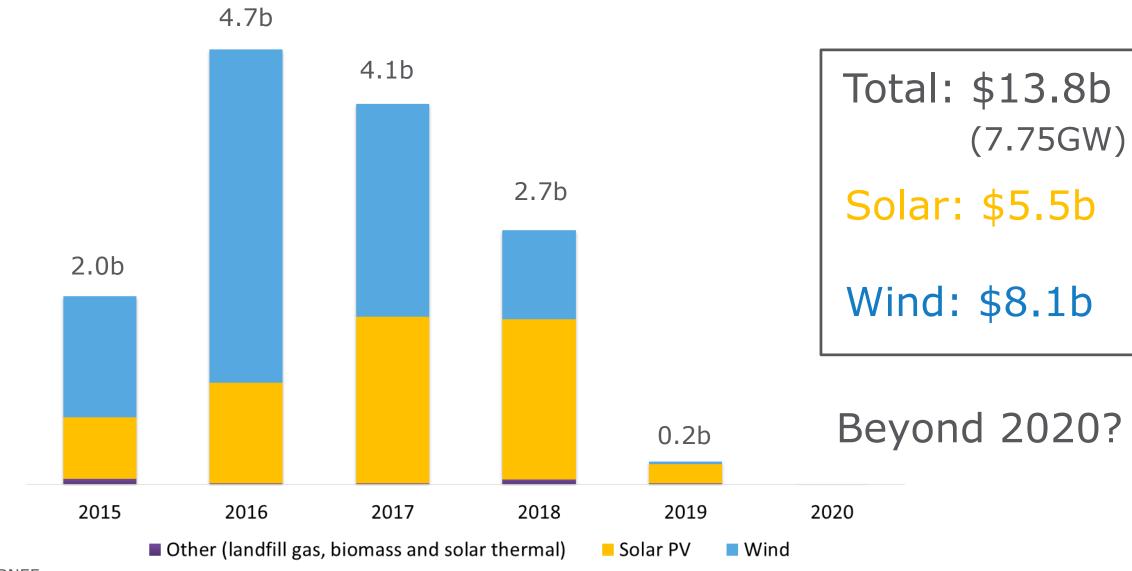
33TWh of total demand for LGCs by 2020

> But no incremental demand post 2020

Source: Renewable Energy (Electricity) Act 2000

# Forecast renewable energy investment opportunities to 2020 to meet LRET (AUD billions)





Source: BNEF

# **Case study: Moree Solar Farm**

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### \$46 million in senior debt for 56MW utility-scale solar PW

- \$46 million in senior debt from CEFC
- Total project value of \$166 million
- > Invested on a commercial basis alongside an ARENA grant and private-sector finance
- Provided debt at a time when private-sector finance was not forthcoming



# **Case study: Taralga wind farm**

#### \$37.5 million in senior debt for 107MW wind farm



- > \$37.5 million in senior debt from CEFC
- Total project value of \$280 million
- Invested alongside international consortium
- Used Australian-made towers helped by an integrated Australian supply of inputs.
- Was the first Australian project for Santander, a leading global developer of renewable projects
- > Estimated to reduce Australian carbon dioxide emissions by around 250,000 tonnes per year

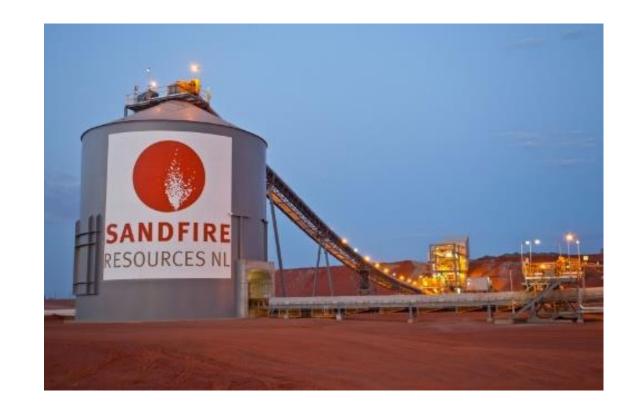


# Case study: Solar and storage for DeGrussa copper mine



#### \$15 million for Australia's largest solar and battery storage project to date with Sandfire Resources

- > \$15 million in CEFC finance.
- Invested alongside a \$21 million grant from **ARENA**
- > 34,000 panel, 10.6MW solar PV array with 6MW of battery storage – integrated with existing diesel-fired power station.
- Designed to provide majority of DeGrussa's daytime electricity requirements
- Will offset around 5 million litres of diesel fuel per annum, abating over 12,000 tonnes of CO<sub>2-e</sub> annually



## **Summary**



- > The CEFC's purpose is to facilitate increased flow of funds into the clean energy sector.
- > We have supported, and will continue to support Government policies such as the renewable energy target.
- > There is a clear investment goal but barriers remain.
- > The CEFC is uniquely placed to assist with overcoming these barriers to help Australia achieve its renewable energy target.







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