s22 From:

Sent: Tuesday, 16 January 2024 8:50 AM

To: s22 Cc:

**Subject:** RE: Project site visit by the Department representative - Robern Menz

[SEC=OFFICIAL]

#### His22

Thanks for the update and this date works even better for us. I can confirm that \$22 be attending on this day.

will

# Regards

#### s22 (Pronouns:she/her)

# Manager

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His22

The Factory with production planning would like the Polly Waffle visit please to be pushed out a day to Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February.

If you could confirm.

Regards



s22

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Sent: Tuesday, January 9, 2024 3:08 PM
To: \$22

@menz.com.au>

Cc: \$22

Subject: RE: Project site visit by the Department representative - Robern Menz [SEC=OFFICIAL]

**OFFICIAL** 

His22

How exciting. We will pencil 28 February into our calendars and touch base closer to the date to finalise a time and confirm there are no delays with the production scheduling.

Regards

s22 (Pronouns:she/her)

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Sent: Tuesday, 9 January 2024 9:28 AM

To: \$22 @industry.gov.au>

Cc: \$22

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# Hi \$22

Wish to confirm and welcome you on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February as the date we would recommend you visit the factory with Polly Waffle production scheduled for this day.

As per below production scheduling can move around but this is the day we best recommend the visit.

If you can confirm.

Regards

s22

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From: \$22

Sent: Friday, January 5, 2024 1:14 PM

To: \$22 @industry.gov.au>

Cc:\$22

Subject: RE: Project site visit by the Department representative - Robern Menz [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi \$22

Thanks for this.

We still need to work our which day w/c 26 Feb is best but the plan is still this week – advise by end of month.

Givens22 are Adelaide based this will be far easier re no flights required and getting out to see us that week (s22 more so the issue pinning the actual day given Brisbane based). Manufacturing scheduling is always a challenge re changes for all manner of reasons – its normal in our industry.

Revert soon.

Thanks

From: \$22 @industry.gov.au>

Sent: Friday, January 5, 2024 12:34 PM To: \$22 @menz.com.au>

Cc: \$22

Subject: RE: Project site visit by the Department representative - Robern Menz [SEC=OFFICIAL]

#### **OFFICIAL**

#### His22

Happy new year to you and your team. We hope the year has got off to a good start.

s22 is currently on leave and not due back in the office for another week however s22 will be accompanying s22 on the site visit and he is back in the office on Monday.

If the week commencing 26 February still works for you, do you have a preferred day? We can be reasonably flexible as \$22 is based in Adelaide, as is \$22 is not available.

#### Regards

#### s22 (Pronouns:she/her)

#### Manager

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From: \$22 <u>menz.com.au</u>>
Sent: Friday, 5 January 2024 9:24 AM

To: \$22

Cc: \$22

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His22

Hope you had a great Christmas and New Year.

I wanted to follow up on the proposed visit by \$22 and team. Per below are your plans still to be in Adelaide w/c 26 February?

Regards

s22

s22

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From: \$22

Sent: Wednesday, December 6, 2023 1:05 PM

To: \$22

Subject: FW: Project site visit by the Department representative - Robern Menz [SEC=OFFICIAL]

His22

Thank you for your note below. We recommend a factory visit last week February 2024 as our planning has this week being the commencement of Polly Waffle Bites production.

We expect you will be able to see the installation of the attached equipment/expenditure list which we have populated in our November milestone reporting document.

Understand you wish to book flights. Can you please book flexible flights as a precaution as new product development, factory scheduling, production changes occur frequently.

If you could recommend which days w/c 26 February would be suitable to you.

Please note per my \$47

the capital

commitment and purchase orders have been placed and project/purchase orders is underway (per attached list). We are still aiming for an on shelf date in line with 847

Attached I have added our broad customer presentation with part of the market research conducted as a template to whet your appetite .

Thank you for your patience and support. Look forward to showing you \$22 the Poproject.

the Polly Waffle Bite

Regards

s22

From: \$22

Sent: Friday, October 13, 2023 12:31 PM

To: S22 industry.gov.au>

Cc: \$22

Subject: RE: Project site visit by the Department representative - Robern Menz [SEC=OFFICIAL]

His22

Thank you for your email. Currently the Polly Waffle Bites has an approved sample trial product following two rounds of market research, artwork and marketing assets have commenced and \$47

s47 at the

end of 2022 as we have moved through the variation of product and agreement and refined our actual needs to commercially produce and launch the Polly Waffle Bite. The project costs incurred being reconciled in the eligible expenditure sheet template as part of the 30 November milestone report due date.

The project timeline has been dictated \$47 for our category falling now in May 2024 (these review dates move around and dictated by our customer) and we have been working back from this date re development, project requirements and on shelf date.

Given this timeline it is too soon to show you any installed capital equipment for the project this month and a visit would be best placed in January/February 2024 were we are aiming for plant commissioning and final product (commercial product ready for market launch stock build through March and April 2024) mindful end of project report is due 28 February 2024.

Can you please consider this request and our timeline on the project. More than happy to have a discussion.

Regards

From: \$22 @industry.gov.au>

Sent: Wednesday, October 11, 2023 5:49 PM

To: s22 @menz.com.au>

Subject: RE: Project site visit by the Department representative - Robern Menz [SEC=OFFICIAL]

His22

Thank you. Happy to wait until you get back.

Regards s22

From: \$22 @menz.com.au>
Sent: Wednesday, 11 October 2023 4:41 PM

To: \$22 @industry.gov.au>

Subject: RE: Project site visit by the Department representative - Robern Menz [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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His22

Good to hear from you thank you for your email.

The project is working on a different timeline to this and I have a meeting on Friday for an update. I'd like to be able to revert to you with an update after this please.

Regards



s22

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From: \$22 @industry.gov.au>

Sent: Wednesday, October 11, 2023 11:36 AM

To: \$22 <u>@menz.com.au</u>>

Subject: Project site visit by the Department representative - Robern Menz [SEC=OFFICIAL]

**OFFICIAL** 

Hi \$22, good afternoon.

Our Department is visiting some of the project sites funded by the Manufacturing Modernisation Fund Program. Your project is selected for such visit.

Department representative will be visiting your site. Can you please provide some dates those are suitable for this visit in October, preferably Wednesdays and Thursdays?

During the visit, Department staff will take some notes and if possible, take some pictures of the installed equipment. Please let me know if this is ok.

Please also let me know if there are any regulatory requirements during the visit which include wearing protective clothing, suitable footwear etc.

I would appreciate if you can let me know by Friday 13/10/23.

# Regards

s22

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From: \$22

Sent: Friday, 9 February 2024 11:59 AM

To: \$22

**Subject:** FYI: PRIORITY - MMF Grant details [SEC=OFFICIAL]

# **OFFICIAL**

From: \$22 @menz.com.au> Sent: Friday, 9 February 2024 11:46 AM

To: \$22 @industry.gov.au>

Subject: Re: PRIORITY - MMF Grant details [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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That's great - will put in press release going out after news corp run story.

I've just done the news corp interview ( before I saw your recommendation below) - but will share with them now re an update.

Thanks for your quick action on this.

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On 9 Feb 2024, at 1:56 pm, \$22

@industry.gov.au> wrote:

**OFFICIAL** 

His22

Just as an option, if you would like to go with your current wording, see the suggestion below:

In 2020, an Australian Federal Government's Manufacturing Modernisation Fund grant was made available to support Menz's ambitions to produce the Polly Waffle bar. \$1,000,000

dollars was originally granted to Menz. While the project is not yet complete, given the changes in scope the final amount of the grant will be less than \$350,000.

Apologies but I was in a rush to hit send and forgot to paste this back into the previous email.

# Regards

s22

Pronouns:she/her)

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From: \$22

Sent: Friday, 9 February 2024 11:19 AM To: \$22 @menz.com.au>

Subject: RE: PRIORITY - MMF Grant details [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi \$22

Thank you for your call yesterday and for sending this through for comment. The department would not ordinarily publish the revised grant amount until the grant was finalised and we have determined the exact amount of the grant. At that time, we will update GrantConnect to reflect the amount of the grant you received. Our suggestion would be to remove reference to the amount you expect to have received. The generic wording we suggest people use in relation to grants is, 'This project received funding from the Australian Government.'

I believe end of project report is due at the end of February and as soon as we receive that, we can process the update to GrantConnect for you.

# Regards

s22

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From: \$22 @menz.com.au>
Sent: Friday, 9 February 2024 10:15 AM

To: s22 @industry.gov.au>

Subject: PRIORITY - RE: MMF Grant details [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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#### His22

Thanks for this. We are holding an interview this afternoon with Newscorp in an attempt to control the narrative (given leak to social media and contacts to our PR firm).

This is the relevant section in our proposed press release. Could you advise if we are OK to use please (as soon as able) – relevant grant section in yellow below.

Thank you.

# Menz Unwraps Details For All New 'Polly Waffle Bites'

**Monday, 12 February 2024:** Today, fourth generation family-owned confectionery manufacturer, Menz, is announcing the next evolution of the beloved Polly Waffle, and when Australian customers can expect to see the product on shelves.

Reminiscent of the original Polly Waffle first created in 1947 and sold up until 2009, the new Polly Waffle Bites are delicious bite sized pieces of soft vanilla marshmallow covered in milk chocolate with crunchy pieces of wafer throughout and will hit retailer shelves across Australia from late April 2024.

Due to manufacturing complexities, expenses, and additional time required, Bites will replace the original bar permanently.

Menz acquired the rights to produce Polly Waffle in 2019 from Nestlé, and spent the past several years researching and developing how to manufacture the product locally in South Australia.

Progress slowed due to COVID border closures restricting the development team from travelling to source and test critical manufacturing equipment, and a new recipe needed to be created.

The original machinery used to create Polly Waffle was also decommissioned by the previous manufacturer, meaning development was starting from scratch.

<temporarily removed>In 2020, an Australian Federal Government's Manufacturing Modernisation Fund grant was made available to support Menz's ambitions to produce the Polly Waffle bar. \$1,000,000 dollars was granted to Menz which was later revised to \$334,239,000 based on the changes to the project scope.

Menz CEO Phil Sims said: "We have a long history of saving and supporting nostalgic Aussie brands like Violet Crumble and FruChocs, so we have been excited by the opportunity to bring Polly Waffle back.

"Polly Waffle had not been produced in more than ten years when we acquired it, so we essentially had to start from scratch to find out how we could produce it at our South Australian factory.

"What we couldn't anticipate was the number of variables out of our control, from COVID border closures restricting access to equipment, and updated retailer expectations. To recreate the traditional bar would require even more time and funding, without the guarantee that it would have the same quality that consumers remember.

"It was so important to us that we didn't put a subpar product in the market, especially one as much loved as Polly Waffle. Creating a Polly Waffle Bite was the most responsible way to make bringing back the iconic brand a reality, and we thank our customers and Polly Waffle fans for their ongoing support and patience.

"We know it's been a journey and we can't wait for you to enjoy this delicious nostalgic treat, with a modern take in May!"

More details of the Polly Waffle Bites will be shared closer to the launch.

#### **ENDS**

For more information, please contact SOCIETY: \$22

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From: \$22 @industry.gov.au>

Sent: Thursday, February 8, 2024 4:59 PM
To: \$22

@menz.com.au>
Subject: MMF Grant details [SEC=OFFICIAL]

**OFFICIAL** 

Hi **s22** 

Thanks for your call today, the details of the MMF grant that are publicly available can be found on <u>GrantConnect</u>. The purpose of the grant was for Robern Menz to invest in new production technologies and automation which is what we have been working with you to achieve.

Reach out again if you need to.

Regards

s22

Pronouns:she/her)

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From: \$22 @menz.com.au>

Sent: Thursday, 30 November 2023 2:07 PM

To: <sup>2</sup> s22 Cc: s22

Subject: RE: URGENT - Menz Confectionery Progress Report 30/11/2023

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# His22

Update – \$22 wad able to log into the portal and submit our report.

The attached spreadsheet from my last email is all of our supporting evidence.

Please feel free to reach out if you need anything clarified. If not, enjoy your break and we will speak to you in the new year.

Happy Holidays.

s2

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From: \$22

Sent: Thursday, November 30, 2023 2:23 PM

To: S22 @industry.gov.au>

Cc: \$22

#### s22

Subject: URGENT - Menz Confectionery Progress Report 30/11/2023

# His22

As per my last email and confirmed by calling the help line (132 846) – I'm having trouble uploading our submission as I don't have the authority level on the portal to do so. \$22 the customer service agent has also put through an urgent request for my authority to be lifted, but this could take some time.

Unfortunately, \$22 is the only one that does have the appropriate authority, but he is on a business trip until after our submission date.

Please see the attached document and evidence of our progress report submission. This spreadsheet is what we would have uploaded if we did have the access. It is everything we have complied over the last 11 months.

If I do receive the authority before the end of the day, I will officially upload it into the portal as per the grant instructions. This email is a backup just in case that scenario doesn't happen.

Please feel free to contact us if there are any questions or concerns and accept our sincerest apologies for the inconvenience.

Thank you. Kind Regards, From: s22 @menz.com.au>
Sent: Wednesday, 6 December 2023 11:51 AM

To: \$22

Cc: \$22

Subject: RE: URGENT - Menz Confectionery Progress Report 30/11/2023 [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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His22 ,

My apologies – I added an extra 7 accidentally. The correct number is \$22

if you'd like to try again.

s22 is our portal man and he will need to make sense of it.

Thanks s22

s22

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Sent: Wednesday, December 6, 2023 2:18 PM
To: \$22

@menz.com.au>

Cc: \$22

Subject: RE: URGENT - Menz Confectionery Progress Report 30/11/2023 [SEC=OFFICIAL]

# His22

The number is not connecting. Anyway, please see below the highlighted from the portal table The total of the labour is indicating only Item 29, \$47

The total of all expenditure items are matching but individual categories of Plant& Equipment, labour, other and contracts are not. Please check. Hope this makes sense.

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2022/23		

From: \$22 @menz.com.au>

Sent: Wednesday, 6 December 2023 1:37 PM

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# His22

s22 has just walked into a meeting.

I'll pass on \$22 number as he is available to walk through it with you.

s22

Thank you

s22

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Subject: RE: URGENT - Menz Confectionery Progress Report 30/11/2023 [SEC=OFFICIAL]

# **OFFICIAL**

# HiS22

I am trying to call \$22 and explain this labour expenditure. He is not available. Do you have a phone number for me to call please?

s22

# **OFFICIALOFFICIAL**

From: \$22 @menz.com.au>

Sent: Wednesday, 6 December 2023 1:10 PM

To: \$22 @industry.gov.au>

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From:

Sent: Wednesday, 6 December 2023 12:20 PM

To: \$22 Cc: \$22

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Yes, I can see the total now. Thank you.

s22

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From: \$22 @menz.com.au>
Sent: Wednesday, 6 December 2023 2:15 PM

To: \$22

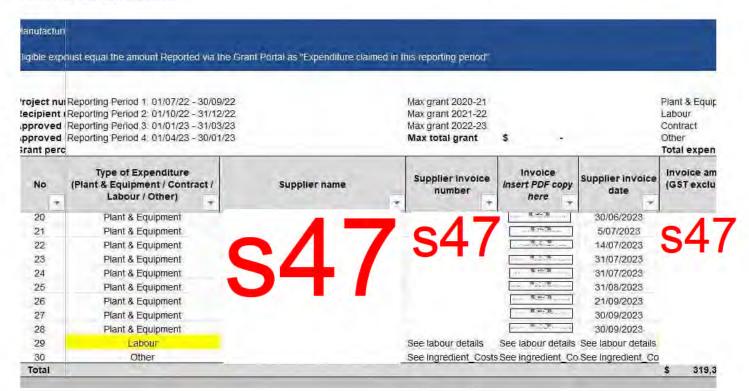
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#### His22

I highlighted the current portal and workbook. All reconciles (Note: Item 29 is our only Labor item being claimed - \$47 ). Please call me now if needed.





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# His22

The number is not connecting. Anyway, please see below the highlighted from the portal table The total of the labour is indicating only Item 29,847

The total of all expenditure items are matching but individual categories of Plant& Equipment, labour, other and contracts are not. Please check. Hope this makes sense.

Expenditure	
2019/20	
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# His22

s22 has just walked into a meeting.

I'll pass on \$22 number as he is available to walk through it with you.

s22

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s22

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s22 From: @menz.com.au> Sent: Thursday, 7 December 2023 11:39 AM

s22 To: s22 Cc:

RE: [SEC=OFFICIAL:Sensitive] RE: Polly Waffle Grant Submission Finalised Subject:

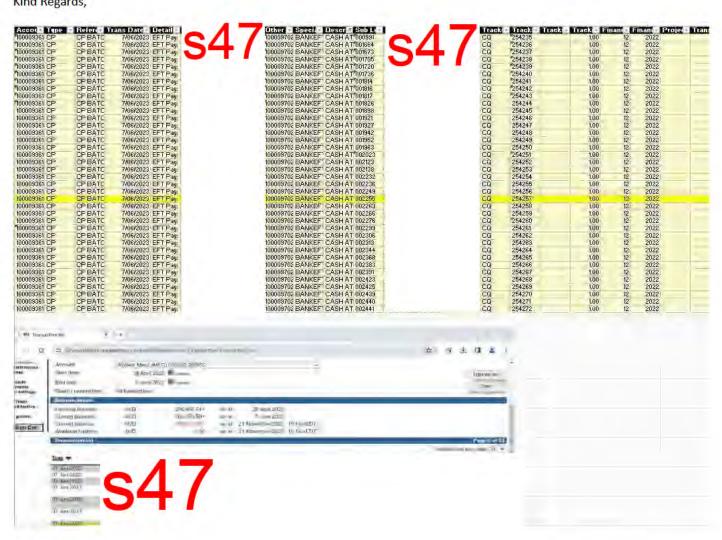
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Good Afternoon, \$22,

The attached receipts provided in column L are the Batch of Invoices Paid in the bank payment run and second part is the Bank Statement Snapshot from the Westpac Portal indicating the date and amount paid in the batch on the bank statement.

Please note majority of Menz payments are paid in batches. For example, the below amount of \$47 paid in the below batch on the Westpac Bank Statement included the claimed invoice paid for \$47

Kind Regards,



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Sent: Thursday, December 7, 2023 9:00 AM

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### His22

I have added the final notes to the submission requested on the Polly Waffle Grant and I have submitted this for review. We will await any additional queries if any on this submission.

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From: \$22

Sent: Tuesday, 28 November 2023 5:50 AM

To: \$22 Cc: \$22

**Subject:** RE: Manufacturing Modernisation Fund Large Grants Grant agreement variation

finalised [SEC=OFFICIAL]

### Good morning \$22

Hope you are going well with the progress report. Please contact me if you need any assistance. As I indicated before, I will be away from office for a month from 15 December 2023. I wish to process your report through approval before I go on leave. Hope to receive your report in the next couple of days.

### Regards

s22

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Sent: Monday, 23 October 2023 11:36 AM

To: S22 @industry.gov.au>

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Hello \$22

Would 2.30 Adelaide time on Wednesday this week be a suitable time?

is not available at the Tuesday time and we would like our project team online to better understand the milestone reporting requirements and per the earlier email the timeline we are working to and the equipment changes from the agreement (ie the last 12 months work).

### Regards



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Sent: Monday, October 23, 2023 10:29 AM

To: \$22 @menz.com.au>

Cc: \$22

s22

Subject: RE: Manufacturing Modernisation Fund Large Grants Grant agreement variation finalised [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Thank you \$22

The proposed time is fine with me. I will accept the invite.

I have also attached the approved budget including labour, contract and other expenditure items for your reference. Your expenditure should match these dollar figures.

Regards

s22

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Thanks for this. I have put a teams meeting request through for 9.30 Adelaide time. If you use a different virtual meeting platform can you advise and put through a meeting request.

Look forward to catch up tomorrow. Meanwhile team will look at your advice per below.

s22



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His22

I thought I can organise our meeting today, but I have several meetings. I am available tomorrow morning from 8 am to 12 pm and anytime on Wednesday. Please let me know your suitability and I will send a meeting invite.

Regarding the eligible expenditure, please refer to the attached guidelines, 5.2, Appendix B and Appendix C in conjunction with your grant agreement.

Please ensure that the equipment you purchase is matching the variation agreement.

WE can discuss more during the meeting.

Regards

s22

From: \$22 @menz.com.au>
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Hope your travels went well last week.

Could we hook up this the phone call this week please per below.

If you could advise time options.

**Thanks** 



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Sent: Wednesday, October 18, 2023 8:39 AM

To: \$22 @menz.com.au>

Cc: \$22

Subject: RE: Manufacturing Modernisation Fund Large Grants Grant agreement variation finalised [SEC=OFFICIAL]

### His22

Thank you for sending the files through. I have busy days on road with site visits until Friday. I will look at them sometime and set up a meeting for us to discuss on Monday.

Will be in touch soon.

Regards

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From: \$22 @menz.com.au>
Sent: Tuesday, 17 October 2023 2:01 PM

To: \$22 @industry.gov.au>

Cc: \$22

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His22

Our project team who will prepare our milestone report. Can we set up a call with you around the progress report dates and milestone dates in the attached deed.

Can you also advise where we can find what is eligible expenditure (ie equipment, what labour, what research, what development costs/product trials, what marketing cost, etc) and what evidence may be required as this is not outlined in the either of the attached files.

If you could advise please as well as some convenient phone hook up times to discuss.

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@menz.com.au>

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As discussed, I am attaching the executed Deed of Variation for your reference. Please check the equipment list, milestones and expenditure requirements while doing the progress report.

I have also attached Eligible Expenditure Sheet template for you to fill in. Tab 1 provides instructions and in tab 2, you insert all expenditure details. Tab 3 has the labour calculation formula and in tab 4, please inset the labour details and calculate the actual expenditure.

Happy to assist you on these anytime.

Regards

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From: \$22 @menz.com.au>
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To: \$22 @industry.gov.au>

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On 7 Sep 2023, at 6:48 am, \$22

@industry.gov.au> wrote:

His22

I am available tomorrow at 11 am EAST. If this doesn't suit you please propose an alternative. I am ok in the morning to accommodate.

I will send you an invite.

Regards

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From: \$22 @menz.com.au>

Sent: Wednesday, 6 September 2023 10:54 AM

To: S22 @industry.gov.au>

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Hope you are well and thank you for sending this update through.

I have been on the portal and had a look through the information. I'd like to talk to you please re a few questions around the link on the portal which wasn't clear to me and visibility of what we need to complete re the report due end of November. Would you have a suitable time to discuss this week if you could advise a suitable time please.

**Thanks** 

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Sent: Monday, August 14, 2023 1:57 PM
To: \$22

@menz.com.au>; \$22

**Subject:** RE: Manufacturing Modernisation Fund Large Grants Grant agreement variation finalised [SEC=OFFICIAL]

His22

Your next project report is due on 30/11/2023 and the final report is due on 28/02/2024. You should receive an automated email to alert you.

I do not have access to your side of the portal. Please login as a primary contact and you will see **the link to complete the project report**. Please use the attached expenditure sheet to provide expenditure details and email back to me to verify.

Hope this helps.

Regards

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From: \$22 @menz.com.au>
Sent: Monday, 14 August 2023 2:08 PM

To: \$22 @industry.gov.au>; \$22

Cc: \$22

**Subject:** RE: Manufacturing Modernisation Fund Large Grants Grant agreement variation finalised [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi \$22

Wanted to reach out to you as we are aware that a milestone report id sue I recall in September.

In the interests of timeline, managing workload, etc would you be able to provide the link, details and timeline on what you require please re the MMF (Polly Waffle) grant please.

is copied who will be our contact point and who will manage the preparation and close out of the report now that \$22 has left our business.

Any queries please let \$22 and I know.

Thank you.

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Sent: Friday, June 9, 2023 7:53 AM

To: \$22 @menz.com.au>

Cc: \$22 @menz.com.au>; \$22 @menz.com.au>

Subject: RE: Manufacturing Modernisation Fund Large Grants Grant agreement variation finalised

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Sorry for the delayed response. Stuck with the end of financial year and reporting stuff.

I cannot think of anything you need to do in the next 2-3 weeks. Robern Menz's next task is submitting the progress report. I will be in touch with \$22 close to deadline.

It was my pleasure to work with you. Thank you for your cooperation and my best wished for a great future.

Regards s22

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From: \$22 @menz.com.au>

Sent: Monday, 5 June 2023 2:18 PM

To: \$22 @industry.gov.au>

Cc: \$22

**Subject:** RE: Manufacturing Modernisation Fund Large Grants Grant agreement variation finalised [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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His22

Thank you for guiding. I asked because I will be leaving Menz shortly and currently in the process of handing over critical projects, timelines and deliverables. If there is anything urgent over the coming 2 weeks please let me know and I will ensure I action it before I leave.

As for upcoming Progress Report, this will now be with \$22, our CFO who you have met over teams calls.

Thank you, it was a pleasure working with you s22 and I learnt a lot along the way around grants and how government bodies work to support companies like ours.

Until we connect again..



Regards

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**Sent:** Monday, June 5, 2023 11:45 AM

@menz.com.au>

Subject: RE: Manufacturing Modernisation Fund Large Grants Grant agreement variation finalised

[SEC=OFFICIAL]

HiS22

Great to hear form you. There is an inbuilt template within the portal. You need to log in and complete different sections of the progress report.

Hope this helps.

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From: \$22 @menz.com.au>

**Sent:** Monday, 5 June 2023 12:04 PM

@industry.gov.au>

Subject: RE: Manufacturing Modernisation Fund Large Grants Grant agreement variation finalised

[SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi **S22** 

I hope you have been well. Is there a template/document format etc for the Progress Report due in September?

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Regards s22	
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Will the portal prom	ot him to do that?
Thank you.	

Kind Regards,

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To: \$22 @menz.com.au>

s22 Cc: \$22

Subject: RE: Manufacturing Modernisation Fund Large Grants Grant agreement variation finalised

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His22

Thank you for your query. \$22 can ignore the message this time. However, you need to submit a report in October, by then \$22 needs to retrieve password to the portal

Regards

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### **OFFICIAL**

From: \$22 @menz.com.au>

Sent: Tuesday, 9 May 2023 10:06 AM

To: \$22 @industry.gov.au>

Cc: \$22

Subject: FW: Manufacturing Modernisation Fund Large Grants Grant agreement variation finalised

His22

I hope you have been well. \$22 received below notification and he is unable to access the document as he does not have an online account. I tried to login with my AUS Industry account but did not get visibility on the below grant documents.

Could you please confirm what this is referring to and if we can have access to the link to review documents please?

Thank you

Regards

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From: \$22 @menz.com.au>
Sent: Wednesday, May 3, 2023 3:02 PM

To: \$22 @menz.com.au>

Subject: FW: Manufacturing Modernisation Fund Large Grants Grant agreement variation finalised

Hi s22 can you have a look at this please and advise.

**Thanks** 

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From: Mail@business.gov.au < Mail@business.gov.au >

Sent: Wednesday, May 3, 2023 2:42 PM To: \$22 @menz.com.au>

Subject: Manufacturing Modernisation Fund Large Grants Grant agreement variation finalised

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### **ROBERN MENZ (MFG) PTY LTD**

Your reference no: MMFLS000160

### Manufacturing Modernisation Fund Large Grants - Variation to the grant agreement finalised

The agreement document confirming variation to the grant agreement is available for you to view on the business.gov.au portal.

If you have any questions, you can email us at <a href="mmf@industry.gov.au">mmf@industry.gov.au</a> and a member of the team will be in contact with you.

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### business.gov.au 13 28 46 (8am - 8pm local time, Monday to Friday)

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From: \$22 @menz.com.au>

Sent: Wednesday, 6 December 2023 10:35 AM

To: \$22 Cc: \$22

**Subject:** FW: Project site visit by the Department representative - Robern Menz

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**Attachments:** RE: Project site visit by the Department representative - Robern Menz

[SEC=OFFICIAL]; Updated Eligible Expenditure spreadsheet - Manufacturing

Modernisation Fund Large Scale.xlsx; 06122023123213-0001.pdf

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### His22

Thank you for your note below. We recommend a factory visit last week February 2024 as our planning has this week being the commencement of Polly Waffle Bites production.

We expect you will be able to see the installation of the attached equipment/expenditure list which we have populated in our November milestone reporting document.

Understand you wish to book flights. Can you please book flexible flights as a precaution as new product development, factory scheduling, production changes occur frequently.

If you could recommend which days w/c 26 February would be suitable to you.

Please note per my \$47 the capital commitment and purchase orders have been placed and project/purchase orders is underway (per attached list). We are still aiming for an on shelf date in line with \$47 .

Attached I have added our broad customer presentation with part of the market research conducted as a template to whet your appetite.

Thank you for your patience and support. Look forward to showing you \$22 the Polly Waffle Bite project.

Regards

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I would appreciate if you can let me know by Friday 13/10/23.

### Regards

s22

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The unique marshmallow/wafer combo of the Polly Waffle was first created way back in 1947 by the Hoadley's Chocolate Company.

For a while, that unique flavour and texture combination was promoted with the slogan "mmm, crunch, ahhh" because, well, abviously. Smooth Chocolate. Crunchy Wafer. Soft Marshmallow.

In 1988 Nestle acquired the company that acquired Hoadley's and in 2009 they stopped making it because who even knows why, but it was a terrible decision and people were very upset. For a brief time, a company in Melbourne tried to make something that was a bit like a Polly Waffle, but only a Polly Waffle is a Polly Waffle is a Polly Waffle is a Polly went ballistic.

### POLLYWAFFLE



Polly Waffle chocolate bar to return to Australian supennarket shelves

Sweet to m u m after brand acquired by a South Australian



'Impossible to ignore': Australian chocolate c.".-• brings back the Polly Waffle

### The Polly Waffle is BACK, people!

### Polly Waffle to make a comeback after success of Violet Crumble

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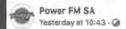
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### POLLY WAFFLE



Polly Waffle fans, today is a good day



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### The Pollywaffle is Back!

Brace yourselves chocolate lans, the moment you have waited for



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The Polly Waffle Is coming back!

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The iconic chocolate bar has been acquired by Robern Menz and w produced in South Australia.

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What other childhood favourites would you like to see on Aussie shelves



Polly Waffle chocolate bar to return



### Georgie sings the 'Polly waffle' jingle

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T'S HAPPENING! The Polly Waffle is coming back!



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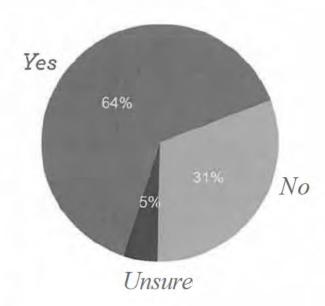
Robern Menz Resurrects The Polly Waffle

Wb - I come back an old friend - the Polly Waffle, as Robem Menz

### POLLY WAFFLE

### .. Awareness of the Polly Waffle.

Over half of Australians (64%) are aware of the Polly Waffle chocolate bar prior to participating in the research. Unsurprisingly, significantly more of those 40 years or above had heard of Polly Waffle. while less than a quarter of those aged 18-19 years were aware of the Polly Waffle.





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s22 From:

Sent: Wednesday, 6 December 2023 3:49 AM

To: s22 Cc:

**Subject:** RE: Project site visit by the Department representative - Robern Menz

[SEC=OFFICIAL]

Thank you \$22 I will call you at 9.45 am.

### Regards

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### **OFFICIAL**

From: \$22 @menz.com.au> Sent: Tuesday, 5 December 2023 6:41 PM

To: \$22 @industry.gov.au>

Cc: \$22

Subject: Re: Project site visit by the Department representative - Robern Menz [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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### His22

That would be good.

Could you call at 9.45 your time tomorrow as I have a meeting in the morning

I'll hook you into the call \$22 so you are on it as well

s22

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On 5 Dec 2023, at 5:52 pm, \$22

@industry.gov.au> wrote:

### **OFFICIAL**

### His22

I can give you a call tomorrow at 9 am Brisbane time if you are available (not sure about Adelaide time 1.5 hrs earlier?). Alternatively you can suggest a time. I am available from 8-10am in the morning, 3.30 to 5 pm in the afternoon. I can ring you, so you don't get ID issues.

### Regards

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From: \$22 @menz.com.au>
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### His22

Just tried to call you and it asked for an ID number.

Could you let us know some time options for a call please tomorrow (hopefully). S22 copied goes on leave on Friday for 3 weeks and he is the team member pulling this together for us.

We have some questions relating to the further questions in your email attached and we can discuss the detail below as well.

s22

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From: \$22

October 25, 2023 2:04 PM

To: \$22 @industry.gov.au>

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Subject: RE: Project site visit by the Department representative - Robern Menz [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hello \$22

Look forward to the teams call at 2.30 (SA time). In addition to the grant paperwork and eligible expenditure/evidence questions we have could you comment re below please.

From: \$22

**Sent:** Friday, October 13, 2023 12:31 PM

To: \$22 @industry.gov.au>

Cc: \$22

Subject: RE: Project site visit by the Department representative - Robern Menz [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi **s22** 

Thank you for your email. Currently the Polly Waffle Bites has an approved sample trial product following two rounds of market research, artwork and marketing assets have commenced \$47

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as we have moved through the variation of product and agreement and refined our actual needs to commercially produce and launch the Polly Waffle Bite. The project costs incurred being reconciled in the eligible expenditure sheet template as part of the 30 November milestone report due date.

The project timeline has been dictated by \$47

(these review dates move around and dictated by our customer) and we have been working back from this date re development, project requirements and on shelf date.

Given this timeline it is too soon to show you any installed capital equipment for the project this month and a visit would be best placed in January/February 2024 were we are aiming for plant commissioning and final product (commercial product ready for market launch stock build through March and April 2024) mindful end of project report is due 28 February 2024.

Can you please consider this request and our timeline on the project. More than happy to have a discussion.

Regards

From: \$22 @industry.gov.au>

Sent: Wednesday, October 11, 2023 5:49 PM

To: \$22 @menz.com.au>

Subject: RE: Project site visit by the Department representative - Robern Menz [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi **s22** 

Thank you. Happy to wait until you get back.

Regards s22

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Sent: Wednesday, 11 October 2023 4:41 PM

To: S22 @industry.gov.au>

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His22

Good to hear from you thank you for your email.

The project is working on a different timeline to this and I have a meeting on Friday for an update. I'd like to be able to revert to you with an update after this please.

Regards



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To: \$22 <u>@menz.com.au</u>>

Subject: Project site visit by the Department representative - Robern Menz [SEC=OFFICIAL]

### **OFFICIAL**

His22, good afternoon.

Our Department is visiting some of the project sites funded by the Manufacturing Modernisation Fund Program. Your project is selected for such visit.

Department representative will be visiting your site. Can you please provide some dates those are suitable for this visit in October, preferably Wednesdays and Thursdays?

During the visit, Department staff will take some notes and if possible, take some pictures of the installed equipment. Please let me know if this is ok.

Please also let me know if there are any regulatory requirements during the visit which include wearing protective clothing, suitable footwear etc.

I would appreciate if you can let me know by Friday 13/10/23.

Regards

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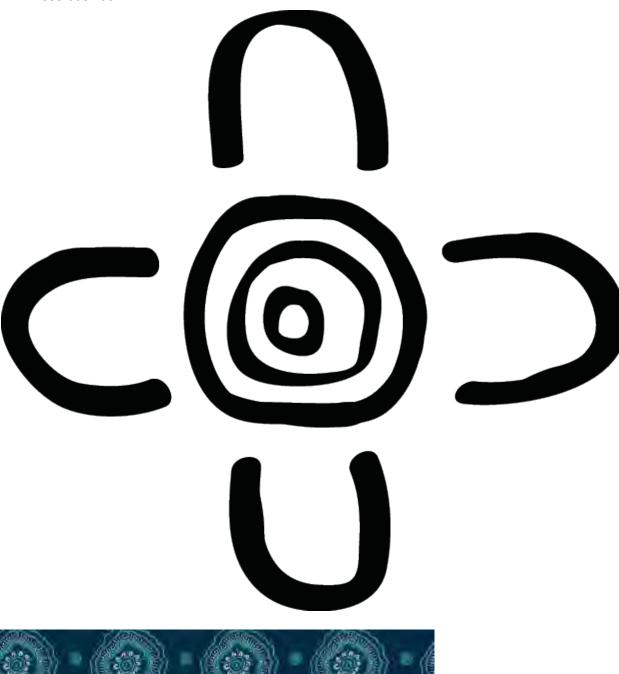
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