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Simply Energy enabling solar to become a staff benefit

ENGIE Australia and New Zealand's retail energy arm, Simply Energy, is partnering with global manufacturing firm, Hunter Douglas, to launch Australia's first staff solar sharing scheme.

The scheme will see Hunter Douglas staff in Sydney who sign up to the Simply Choice offer be eligible to receive a bonus discount off their household electricity usage when it is matched to the excess solar production at Hunter Douglas' Rydalmere factory.

The offer will be facilitated by Simply Energy who will allow Hunter Douglas staff to use excess energy generated on weekends and outside manufacturing hours from the 800kW solar panels on the factory roof. This renewable energy transfer will then simply be settled on the staff members' monthly bill, using the Enosi Powertracer platform.

The approach is the latest simple and smart offer constructed by Simply Energy which enables even more Australians to play a role, and benefit from, the carbon neutral transition.

Simply Energy is partnering with Enosi to deliver this Australia-first project. Enosi's Powertracer platform enables users, whether as corporates, individuals, or communities, to directly match their energy supply to specific renewable energy facilities across the National Electricity Market. It also enables energy to be purchased at generator-specific prices at those times when there is matched supply and demand between the generator and that customer.

The scheme is up and running with Hunter Douglas staff members already signed up to the program. "Simply Energy has provided the opportunity to share in my employer's investment in solar energy, by allowing me to benefit from the excess energy generated from its solar panels by receiving energy at discounted prices" said Peter Hughes, Director of Finance – Hunter Douglas. Simply Energy is also in discussions with other large employers about how renewable energy provision can be bundled into staff benefits packages.

"This presents a huge opportunity" said Ryan Wavish, General Manager – Simply Energy Solutions, "for our commercial customers wanting to pass on benefits to their staff and members, as well as our residential customers who may have previously been locked out of the solar market – a win-win for all".

About ENGIE ANZ

In Australia, the company has about 1,200MW of low-carbon generation capacity and more than 800MW of renewable energy under development. Our retail brand, Simply Energy, has more than 730,000 customer accounts in Victoria, South Australia, New South Wales, the Australian Capital Territory, Western Australia and Queensland. ENGIE Services ANZ provides multi-technical solutions for industrial, public and commercial building sectors as well as developing and implementing cost-saving smart energy and environmental efficiency services and solutions for precincts.



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