



## **CEU final compliance report by ASIC**

ASIC's final report dated **11 September 2018** on compliance with the s93AA ASIC Act court enforceable undertaking given by **Neo Financial Solutions Pty Ltd** (ACN 141 607 098) (**Neo**) dated **17 August 2016**.

Terms used in this report have the same meaning as in the **17 August 2016** court enforceable undertaking (**CEU**).

Undertakings	Report on compliance
Engagement of Independent Expert  CEU paragraphs 3.2 -3.5	<ol> <li>Neo requested ASIC approve the engagement of the Independent Expert (IE) substantially within the time required by the CEU, as extended by ASIC.*</li> <li>Following ASIC's approval, Neo engaged the IE within the time required by the CEU, as extended by ASIC.</li> </ol>
Terms of engagement  CEU paragraphs 3.6 – 3.9	3. The IE's terms of engagement reflected the requirements in paragraphs 3.6 to 3.9 of the CEU.
Initial Assessment and Review Report CEU paragraphs 3.10 – 3.16	<ol> <li>Within the times specified in the CEU, the IE:         <ul> <li>a. conducted an Initial Assessment of the specific areas of concern identified in ASIC's Letter of Concern (paragraph 3.10(a)); and</li> <li>b. provided Neo and ASIC with an Initial Licensee Review Report (paragraph 3.10(b)).</li> </ul> </li> <li>Neo implemented the recommendations from the Initial Licensee Review Report into a Licensee Improvement Program within the time specified by the IE (paragraph 3.13).</li> <li>Within the time required by the CEU, the IE carried out an Implementation Review of the extent to which Neo had implemented the recommendations set out in the Initial Licensee Review Report (paragraph 3.15(a)).</li> </ol>

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	7. Within the time required by the CEU, the IE provided an
	Implementation Report to Neo and ASIC setting out the
	outcome of the Implementation Review (paragraph
	3.15(b)). The IE found that Neo had implemented the
	majority of the recommendations made in the Initial
	Licensee Review Report within the times specified in the
	Initial Licensee Review Report. Two further
	recommendations were made for inclusion in Neo's
	Licensee Improvement Program.
	8. Within the time required by the CEU, Neo conducted the
	Licensee Remediation Review for all Remediation Clients
	(paragraph 3.16).
Remediation Assessment and	9. The IE conducted a Remediation Assessment of the
Report	effectiveness of the Licensee Improvement Program
CEU paragraphs	within the time specified in the CEU (paragraph 3.17(a)).
3.17 – 3.20	10. The IE provided a Remediation Report to Neo and ASIC
	within the time specified by the CEU (paragraphs 3.17(b)
	and 3.18). The report did not identify any deficiencies
	relating to the input of tasks in the Licensee Improvement
	Program however, further recommendations were made
	regarding Neo's remediation program and the remediation
	requirements of a number of the files tested. The
	Remediation Report advised that Neo was awaiting this
	feedback before finalising its remediation and/or
	compensation of the Remediation Clients under the
	Licensee Improvement Program.
Final Assessment and Report	11. Within the time specified in the CEU, the IE:
	a. conducted a Final Assessment of the implementation
CEU paragraphs 3.21 – 3.25	and effectiveness of the compliance and risk
0.21 - 0.20	management frameworks following the completion of
	the Licensee Improvement Program and formed a
	view on Neo's compliance with ss 912A, 961B, 961G,

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	961H, 961J and 961L of the Corporations Act 2001
	(paragraph 3.21(a)); and
	b. provided Neo and ASIC with a Final Report setting out
	the outcome of its Final Assessment (paragraph
	3.21(b)). A summary of this report is available on
	ASIC's CEU Register.
	12. Neo implemented the recommended enhancements to the
	Licensee Improvement Program within the time specified
	by the IE (paragraph 3.23).
	13. Neo provided ASIC with a written report attesting to
	compliance with the CEU and detailing all action taken,
	including remediation outcomes, within the time specified
	by the CEU (paragraph 3.25).

<sup>\*</sup>Substantial and satisfactory compliance with these paragraphs, as it was one day later than the agreed extended period of 40 days.