#### **FACTSHEET**

As at 31 March 2021



# Generating a more sustainable future



### **COMPANY OVERVIEW**

**NextEnergy Solar Fund Limited** is a solar infrastructure investment company primarily focused on the UK. As at 31 March 2021 the Company has completed and announced 94 separate acquisitions of solar projects with total capacity installed of 814MW and total invested capital of approximately £999m.



# **Performance Highlights**

#### **Financial Highlights**

**NAV** per ordinary share as at 31 March 2021

(31 March 2020: 99.0p)

Cash dividend cover (pre-scrip dividends) for the year ended 31 March 2021

(31 March 2020: 1.2x)

Ordinary shareholders' NAV as at 31 March 2021

(31 March 2020: £579m)

Financial debt gearing as at 31 March 20211

(31 March 2020: 22%)

Target dividend per ordinary share for the year ending 31 March 2022

(31 March 2021: 7.05p)

**Ordinary shareholder** annualised total return since IPO

6.1%

(31 March 2020: 6.3%)

#### **Operational Highlights**

**Total capacity installed** as at 31 March 2021

(31 March 2020: 755MW)

**Operating solar assets** as at 31 March 2021

(31 March 2020: 90)

#### **DIVIDEND TARGET**

Targeting a total dividend of 7.16p per ordinary share in respect of the year ending 31 March 2022

Total electricity generation for the year ended 31 March 2021

38gWh

(31 March 2020: 712GWh)

Generation above budget for the year ended 31 March 2021

(31 March 2020: 4.7%)

#### DIVIDEND PAYMENTS

Quarterly

March)

(June, September, December,

#### **Investment Policy**

NESF's investment objective is to provide ordinary shareholders with attractive risk-adjusted returns, principally in the form of regular dividends, by investing in a diversified portfolio of primarily UK-based solar energy infrastructure assets.

The Company has an investment limit of up to 30% of the Company's GAV in solar assets outside the UK. Currently, the non-UK investment represents 11% of GAV.

The Company is currently advancing a pipeline of non-UK investment opportunities, a private equity fund investment, energy storage systems and ancillary solar technologies which complement the portfolio and diversify asset-specific and market risks.

# **Portfolio Highlights**

As at 31 March 2021, the portfolio consisted of 94 operating solar assets (86 in the UK and 8 in Italy), with a total capacity of 814MW.

During the year ended 31 March 2021, generation across the entire portfolio was 6.2% above budget.

Following the approval of two development projects for construction, Hatherden (50MW) and Whitecross (36MW), the Company has reached its subsidy-free development target of 150MW. The projects are expected to be energised in late 2022.

In March 2021, two long-term PPA projects totaling 100MW were acquired for a consideration of £64m.

#### **ESG Highlights**

Tonnes of CO2e emissions avoided for the year ended 31 March 2021

317,600

(31 March 2020: 307,700)

**UK homes powered** for one year<sup>2</sup>

195,000

(31 March 2020: 189,000)

#### **MANAGEMENT FEES**

1.0% up to £200m 0.9% between £200m-£300m 0.8% greater than £300m (Based on NAV to ordinary shareholders)

#### Shareholder/NAV Return

For the year ended 31 March 2021, the ordinary shareholder total return was 5.1% and the NAV total return was 7.0%.

As at 31 March 2021, NESF has achieved an ordinary shareholder total return since IPO of 42.6% and a NAV total return since IPO of 41.9%.

The annualised ordinary shareholder total return since IPO was 6.1% and annualised NAV total return since IPO was 6.0%.

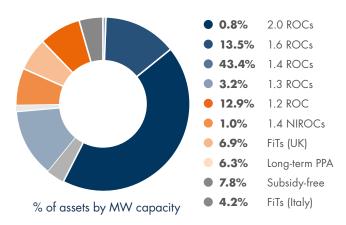
<sup>1</sup> Financial debt gearing excludes the £200m preference shares

<sup>2</sup> www.greeninvestmentgroup.com/green-impact/green-investment-handbook

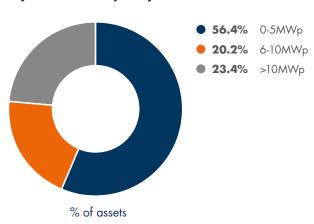
# **Snapshot of Our Diversified Portfolio**

# As at 31 March 2021

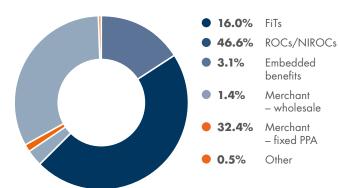
#### By Subsidy



#### **By Installed Capacity**

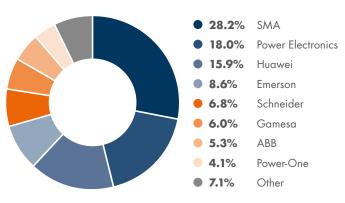


## By Revenue Type



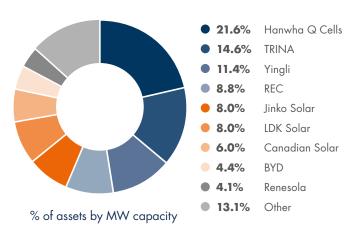
% of total revenue for the year ended 31 March 2021

### By Inverter Manufacturer

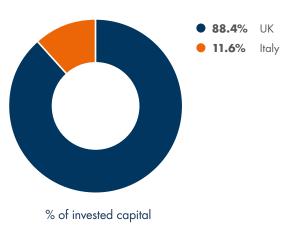


% of assets by MW capacity

#### **By Solar Module Manufacturer**



# **By Location**



# **Corporate Information**

### **Investment Manager and Adviser**

NextEnergy Capital IM Limited and NextEnergy Capital Limited, both members of the NextEnergy Capital Group ('NEC Group'), act as Investment Manager to the Company and Investment Adviser to the Investment Manager, respectively. The NEC Group is a specialist leading solar investment manager and asset manager focused on the solar energy sector.



Since 2007, the NEC Group's specialist asset management division, WiseEnergy, has provided operating asset management, monitoring, technical due diligence and other services to over 1,300 utility-scale solar power plants with an installed capacity in excess of 2.1 GW. Its asset management clients include solar funds (in addition to the Company), banks, private equity funds and other specialist investors.

#### **The Company**

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