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Highest Energy Efficiency Rating awarded for new Master Planned Community

Multi award-winning developer Sunland Group (ASX: SDG) will deliver an Australian first energy-efficient approach to its new master planned community Montaine Residences, in Mount Annan, New South Wales.

The new master planned community located on a 5.5-hectare site, adjacent to Mount Annan Marketplace on Main Street was designed by Sunland Group and is set to be the first integrated development in Australia to achieve a 7-star NatHERS rating for all homes within the development.

NatHERS (the Nationwide House Energy Rating Scheme) is a star rating system that estimates the energy efficiency of a home based on local climate, orientation, design, materials used and construction. An assessment completed by NatHERS, has shown a home can reduce its energy load by 25% by increasing the standard six-star home to seven-stars.

Sunland Group Managing Director, Sahba Abedian, said Montaine Residences is one of the first integrated master planned communities to be developed in Australia where all dwellings will meet or exceed seven-stars."

"A central philosophy of our design is a considered collection of architecturally designed duplex and terrace homes that are energy conscious and respectful to the future," Mr Abedian said.

"The energy-efficient design at Montaine Residences has enabled us to create homes that will have long-term and significant cost benefits for future residents and positive impacts on the broader environment."

FrysEnergywise Director, Ian Fry, conducted the assessment, said "Smart design and consideration of materials and products used in a development contribute to the NatHERS rating a home achieves. Sunland Group have provided higher specifications to some of the homes that included higher rated insulation, low-emissivity windows, double glazing and fixed awnings to achieve the 7-star rating."

"This is great for the future residents as the homes in Montaine Residences will benefit from a significantly lower cost for energy"

Mr Abedian said Montaine Residences will be formally launched in late March.

While prices have not yet been formally released, they are expected to start from \$595,000.

Last month, the federal government's Clean Energy Finance Corporation launched a new home loan scheme through Bank Australia offering consumers a discounted home loan rate for seven-star energy rating homes that are bought or built. For further information on the green home loan scheme visit: https://www.cefc.com.au.

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Sunland is a leading property developer with almost four decades' experience delivering award-winning, design-driven communities along Australia's eastern seaboard. Landmark projects include the world's first fashion-branded hotel, Palazzo Versace, and Q1, the world's tallest residential building from 2005-2011.

Montaine Residences is being jointly marketed by Colliers International and Sunland Group. Those seeking further information are invited to register their details at www.sunlandgroup.com.au/montaine.

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