Supporting Information

Novel Ruthenium Sensitizers with A Dianionic Tridentate Ligand for Dye-Sensitized Solar Cells: Relationship Between the Solar Cell Performances and the Electron-Withdrawing Ability of Substituents at the Ligand

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Figure S1. Relationship between the energy levels of LUMOs (E_{LUMO}) of TUS sensitizers and the Hammett constants of the substituents (2σ) at the dianionic tridentate ligands.



Figure S2. Cyclic voltammograms of TUS-31 and its ligand (L-NMe₂) in DMSO.



Figure S3. Energy diagrams of the frontier molecular orbitals of fully optimized structures of TUS sensitizers and Black dye in acetonitrile.



HOMO



LUMO+3



HOMO-1



LUMO+2



HOMO-3

LUMO

Figure S4. Frontier molecular orbitals (occupied and unoccupied MOs) of a fully optimized structure of TUS-29 in acetonitrile.



HOMO-1



LUMO+3



LUMO+2



HOMO-2



LUMO+1



Figure S5. Frontier molecular orbitals (occupied and unoccupied MOs) of a fully optimized structure of **TUS-30** in acetonitrile.



Figure S6. Frontier molecular orbitals (occupied and unoccupied MOs) of a fully optimized structure of TUS-31 in acetonitrile.



Figure S7. Frontier molecular orbitals (occupied and unoccupied MOs) of a fully optimized structure of **TUS-32** in acetonitrile.



Figure S8. Frontier molecular orbitals (occupied and unoccupied MOs) of a fully optimized structure of **TUS-33** in acetonitrile.