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The Hon Lily D'Ambrosio MP Minister for Energy, Environment, and Climate Change Minister for Suburban Development 8 Nicholson Street EAST MELBOURNE VIC 3002

Dear Minister

## NEW MINISTERIAL STATEMENT OF EXPECTATIONS - EECC REGULATORS 2018 - 2020

Thank you for your letter of 22 August 2018, containing your Statement of Expectations (SOE) for the regulation of land and environment business activities by the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP) in the Energy, Environment and Climate Change (EECC) portfolio. This letter confirms DELWP's commitment to improving regulatory performance and reducing costs faced by Victorian businesses and other regulated parties.

The EECC regulators cover a number of different regulatory activities, namely: beekeeping on public land; Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act 1988 regulation; native vegetation clearing controls; environmental regulation of forest use on public land; tour operator licensing; pipelines regulation; and wildlife regulation.

The improvements outlined in the SOE are grouped into the following broad delivery approaches:

- Review of existing systems or processes: Wildlife licensing, Native Vegetation and Timber Harvesting.
- **Updated guidance material or information:** Beekeeping, Native Vegetation and Flora and Fauna Guarantee.
- Review and update licencing and compliance arrangements: Timber Harvesting, Beekeeping, Pipelines and Tour operators.

DELWP will reference the SOE and its targets in the Corporate Plan, with the specific targets included within the relevant DELWP Business Group Plan. DELWP's annual report will outline our delivery of the SOE targets. Progress reporting will also occur through existing internal business systems. DELWP will make the SOE and this letter available on our website.

Thank you again for your direction in the future governance and regulatory performance of Victoria's EECC portfolio.

Yours sincerely

John Bradley Secretary

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