SUPPLEMENTARY EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999

Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation (National Recovery Plan for Leadbeater's Possum (*Gymnobelideus leadbeateri*)) Instrument 2024

(Issued under the Authority of the Minister for the Environment and Water)

Purpose of the supplementary explanatory statement

The purpose of this Supplementary Explanatory Statement is to provide information in relation to the application of sunsetting requirements to the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation (National Recovery Plan for Leadbeater's Possum (*Gymnobelideus leadbeateri*)) Instrument 2024.

Exemption from sunsetting

This instrument is exempt from sunsetting in accordance with item 1 of the table in section 11 of the Legislation (Exemptions and Other Matters) Regulation 2015.

This is because the recovery plan has a primary purpose of giving effect to Australia's obligations under the *Convention on Biological Diversity* [1993] ATS 32 (**Biodiversity Convention**). Specifically, the recovery plan will support the recovery of the Leadbeater's Possum through the development and implementation of a plan within the meaning of Art 8(f) of the Biodiversity Convention.