*Commonwealth of Australia*

*Industry Research and Development Act 1986*

**DIRECTIONS UNDER SECTION 23 OF THE *INDUSTRY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ACT 1986* TO COMMITTEES APPOINTED UNDER THAT ACT – 5 JULY 2024**

I, Andrew Stevens, Chairperson of Innovation and Science Australia (the Board):

A. certify that on 5 July 2024 the Board:

(a) resolved, pursuant to section 23 of the *Industry Research and Development Act 1986* (IR&D Act), to give the directions set out in paragraph 1 of this instrument, to the committees appointed under the IR&D Act specified in paragraph 2 of this instrument, relating to the practices to be followed by those committees in the performance of their functions; and

(b) authorised me to give the directions referred to in subparagraph A(a) above on behalf of the Board; and

B. on behalf of the Board and pursuant to section 23 of the IR&D Act, hereby give the directions set out in paragraph 1 of this instrument, to the committees appointed under the IR&D Act specified in paragraph 2 of this instrument, relating to the practices to be followed by those committees in the performance of their functions.

1. **Directions**

(a) For the making of a decision by the committee on a substantive matter relating to its functions, there must be a quorum of at least three members of the committee participating in the relevant deliberations and voting on the decision.

(b) In the event that a quorum of members mentioned in subparagraph 1(a) above does not exist for a particular matter for whatever reason, including conflicts of interest of committee members, the relevant matter is to be referred to the Board for decision.

2. **Committees**

(a) Research and Development Incentives Committee

(b) Cooperative Research Centres Advisory Committee

(c) Innovation Investment Committee

(d) Industry Growth Program Committee

(e) Entrepreneurs’ Programme Committee

3. These directions take effect on and from the 5 July 2024

Andrew Stevens

Chairperson

Industry Innovation and Science Australia

5 July 2024