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Department of the Environment and Energy

## Draft 2018-2019 Product Impact Management (PIM) Work-plan

### PRODUCT IMPACT MANAGEMENT PRIORITIES

### ASSESSMENT

	ISSUE	OBJECTIVE OF ACTION	SPONSORING JURISDICTION	ACTION	DEADLINE FOR IMPLEMENTING ACTION	REPORTING DUE AT NEXT MEM	JURISDICTION RESPONSIBLE FOR ACTION
1	<b>Photovoltaic systems</b>	National Product Stewardship scheme for Photovoltaic Systems (PV)	Victoria	Establish jurisdictional Working Group to work with the PV industry to develop national PV Product Stewardship scheme.	[By 2019]	[Plan for implementation by 2019]	Victoria
2	<b>Electrical and electronic products</b>	Consider inclusion of other products under National Television and Computer Recycling Scheme	Commonwealth	TBC	[Dependent on defining Action. Within 2 years from agreement of action]	[Progress update. Plan for implementation by XXXX]	
3	<b>Large energy storage batteries</b>	Establish a product stewardship scheme for large energy storage batteries			[Dependent on establishing sponsoring jurisdiction and defining Action. Within 2 years from agreement of action]	[Sponsoring jurisdiction established]	
4	<b>Plastic oil containers</b>	Consider need for options to replace program	Commonwealth	TBC	[Dependent on defining Action. Within 2 years from agreement of action]	[Progress update. Plan for implementation by XXXX]	



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### ACTION:

#### PHASES: DESIGN – IMPLEMENT – OPERATE – MONITOR - REVIEW

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1	Plastic bags	Voluntary, national action by retailers to phase-out the use of heavier plastic department store or 'boutique' bags.	Queensland	Establish a cross-jurisdictional working group to work with retailers on voluntary measures to phase-out the use of heavier plastic department store or 'boutique' bags.	[DESIGN]	[Implement within 2 years]	Nil. Report to first Environment Ministers meeting in 2018.	Queensland
		Nationally consistent approach to phase-out the use of single-use plastic bags.		Ministers are supporting actions by individual jurisdictions to phase out the use of single-use plastic bags, but no actions have been specified.	[DESIGN]	[Implement within 2 years]		All State/Territory Governments
2	Microbeads	National phase-out of plastic microbeads.	New South Wales and Commonwealth	Assess effectiveness of voluntary approach to phase out microbeads.	[MONITOR]			All jurisdictions.
				[Work with Accord Australasia to develop a compliance protocol.]	[DESIGN]	[Implement within 2 years]		New South Wales and Commonwealth
				[Commission an independent assessment of the sale of microbeads in the retail sector.]	[OPERATE]			Commonwealth
3	Tyres	Implement the National Market Development Strategy for Used Tyres 2017-22	Queensland and Victoria	Transition the cross-jurisdictional Working Group to a National Oversight Group (NOG) to develop the details of the implementation of the National Market Development Strategy for Used Tyres 2017-22 and oversee this implementation.	[IMPLEMENT]		[Transition to NOG by end of October 2017 and regularly report to Environment Ministers on Strategy.]	Queensland and Victoria
				[Commonwealth to liaise with the Commonwealth Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, on updating relevant engineering, safety and biofuel standards to enable greater uptake of tyre derived	[DESIGN]	[Implement within 2 years]		Commonwealth



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				products in engineering and fuel applications.]				
		ACCC authorisation of Tyre Stewardship Australia's (TSA) scheme.		Report back on the progress of the Australian CCC's review into TSA's scheme.	[IMPLEMENT/OPERATE/REVIEW]		Provide report	
4	Packaging	Administration of the Australian Packaging Covenant.		Implement the Australian Packaging Covenant	[IMPLEMENT]			
				Review of the Covenant's Strategic Plan.	[REVIEW]		[Establish working group]	[Commonwealth]
				Review the Covenant's annual Statement of Intent.	[REVIEW]			
5	Container Deposit Scheme	Successful implementation of State and Territory Governments' container deposit schemes.	All State/Territory Governments	Cooperate and share information to assist in the successful implementation of container deposit schemes.	[OPERATE]			All State/Territory Governments
6	Handheld batteries	National Product Stewardship scheme for handheld batteries	Queensland	Continue to work with battery industry to develop voluntary Product Stewardship scheme for power tools and other hand-held rechargeable batteries.	[DESIGN]	[Implement within 2 years]		All
				Commission work to evaluate the feasibility of potential regulatory options to underpin voluntary scheme.	[DESIGN]	[Implement within 2 years]		Senior Officials Group
				Jurisdictions to participate and make financial and in-kind contributions to support industry engagement to develop and implement scheme.	[DESIGN]	[Implement within 2 years]		All
				Working Group to prepare project plan and detailed budget for Senior Officials Group out-of-session.	[DESIGN]	[Implement within 2 years]		[Qld out of session]



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### WORK SUPPORTING THE PRODUCT IMPACT MANAGEMENT STRATEGY - ADMINISTRATION

	ISSUE	OBJECTIVE OF ACTION	SPONSORING JURISDICTION	ACTION	TIMEFRAMES	REPORTING DUE AT NEXT MEM	JURISDICTION RESPONSIBLE FOR ACTION
1	<b>Voluntary accreditation of product stewardship schemes</b>	Encourage voluntary product stewardship arrangements to be of a high standard or (at least) best practice.	Commonwealth	Run regular applications rounds for the accreditation of voluntary product stewardship arrangements.	[Run an application round every one to two years]		Commonwealth
					[Run the next application round by early-mid 2018]	[Progress report]	Commonwealth
2	<b>Guidance for establishing and managing product stewardship</b>	Promote consistent, fit-for-purpose design of product stewardship action.	Commonwealth	Develop guidance on details of establishing and managing product stewardship action.	[By first Environment Ministers meeting 2018]	[Provide draft for comment]	Commonwealth