



Australian Government

Department of Finance

The Treasury

## PUBLIC RELEASE OF 2019 ELECTION COMMITMENT COSTING

<b>Name of proposal costed: Product Stewardship Investment Fund</b>	
<b>Costing Identifier:</b>	COA024
<b>Summary of costing:</b>	<p>The proposal is to establish a Product Stewardship Investment Fund, to provide \$20.0 million in grants to fast track the development of new product stewardships in the recycling space across Australia.</p> <p>This proposal will have a \$20.0 million impact on the Underlying Cash Balance.</p>
<b>Ongoing or Terminating (including date) <sup>(a)</sup></b>	Terminating (30 June 2023)
<b>Person making the request:</b>	Prime Minister
<b>Date costing request received:</b>	09 May 2019
<b>Date of public release of policy:</b>	03 May 2019
<b>Date costing completed:</b>	13 May 2019
<b>Additional information requested (including date):</b>	Not applicable
<b>Additional information received (including date):</b>	Not applicable

(a) Ongoing policies continue indefinitely (until a decision is made to cease or alter the program). Terminating measures end on a date set out in the initial policy and a further decision is required to continue the program beyond this date.

### Financial implications (outturn prices) <sup>(b)</sup>

Impact on	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
Underlying Cash Balance (\$m)	0.0	-5.0	-5.0	-5.0	-5.0
Fiscal Balance (\$m)	0.0	-5.0	-5.0	-5.0	-5.0

(b) A positive number for the fiscal balance indicates an increase in revenue or a decrease in expenses or net capital investment in accrual terms. A positive number for the underlying cash balance indicates an increase in revenue or a decrease in expenses or net capital investment in cash terms.

**Where relevant, state that the proposal has been costed as a defined or specified amount.**

This costing is based on a specified amount.

**Where relevant, include separate identification of revenue and expense components.**

Not applicable.

**Where appropriate, include a range for the costing or sensitivity analysis.**

Not applicable.

**Qualifications to the costing (including reasons for the costing not being comprehensive).**

It is assumed that the Product Stewardship Investment Fund is a terminating four-year grant program.

**Where relevant, explain effects of departmental expenses.**

Consistent with the costing request, it is assumed that all departmental and delivery costs will be absorbed by the Department of the Environment and Energy (DoEE) within its existing resources.

**Where relevant, explain the reason for any significant differences between the assumptions specified in a party costing request and those used in a Treasury or Finance costing.**

Not applicable.

**Other comments (including reasons for significant differences between the estimated impact on the fiscal and underlying cash balances).**

**Where relevant, include an explanation of the medium term implications of the proposal<sup>(c)</sup>.**

Not applicable.

(c) Information on the medium term implications will be provided if the cost of the policy is expected to be significantly different beyond the forward estimates period.

**Costing methodology used:****Policy parameters**

The policy has been costed as a four-year terminating, administered grant program with funds to be distributed by the DoEE, using a Government Grants Hub, to states, territories and non-government organisations.

The costing assumes that no additional departmental funding is provided, including funding for Grant Hub administration and any departmental costs arising from the program are assumed to be absorbed by DoEE.

**Behavioural assumptions used (as appropriate)**

Not applicable.