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Federal Court of Australia District Registry: Victoria

Division: ACLHR

No. <u>VID 1228</u> of 2017

FRIENDS OF LEADBEATER'S POSSUM INC

Applicant

VICFORESTS

Respondent

- 1. The Applicant:
 - 1.1 is an association incorporated under the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act* 2012 (Vic) in Australia;
 - during the two years immediately before the conduct to which the relief sought in the Applicant's originating application relates:
 - (a) has had objects or purposes that included the protection or conservation of, or research into, the environment; and
 - (b) has engaged in a series of activities related to the protection or conservation of, or research into, the environment.
 - 1.3 during the two years immediately before the Applicant's application:

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- (a) has had objects or purposes that included the protection or conservation of, or research into, the environment; and
- (b) has engaged in a series of activities related to the protection or conservation of, or research into, the environment.
- 2. The Respondent (**VicForests**) is a State body established in 2003 under s 14 of the *State Owned Enterprises Act 1992* (Vic).

VicForests functions

- 3. The principal function of VicForests is to undertake, on a commercial basis, the sale and supply of timber resources in Victorian State forests.
- 4. As part of the principal function of VicForests identified in paragraph 3 above, VicForests plans and conducts, from time to time, the logging of forestry operations in specified areas of Victorian State forests.
- 5. One of the areas of Victorian State forest in which VicForests plans and conducts <u>forestry</u> logging operations is the part of Victoria designated as the Central Highlands Regional Forest Agreement Area (the **CH RFA Area**).

Timber Release Plan for the Central Highlands RFA Area

- 6. In January 2017, VicForests prepared an "Approved Timber Release Plan Change" (the **Timber Release Plan**), which identified, by map, schedule and coupe number, areas of forest in the CH RFA Area, which are proposed for logging forestry operations.
 - 6.1 The Timber Release Plan includes a number of maps and a schedule, which together identify the areas proposed for <u>logging forestry operations</u> as individual "coupes", each of which coupes is designated by an identification number.
 - 6.2 The Timber Release Plan maps designate, among other things, the boundary, location and identification number of each coupe.
 - 6.3 The Timber Release Plan schedule designates, among other things:
 - (a) each coupe identification number;

- (b) the net area in hectares expected to be logged within each coupe boundary;
- (c) the method of logging that will be used in each coupe, termed the "silviculture system";
- (d) the nominated period in which <u>forestry operations are</u> logging is proposed in each coupe; and
- (e) the operational status of each coupe, indicating either that logging has been completed, that logging has commenced but not completed or that logging has not yet commenced.
- 7. On 5 January 2017, VicForests published:
 - 7.1 Notice of the "Timber Release Plan Change", as approved by VicForests, in the Victoria Government Gazette; and
 - 7.2 the Timber Release Plan maps and schedule on the VicForests website.
- 8. The identification of coupes proposed for logging forestry operations in the CH RFA Area by preparation of the Timber Release Plan constitutes an action for the purposes of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (Cth) (the **EPBC** Act) ("an action").

Coupes that have been clear-felled

9. Between 2004 and 2017, VicForests elear-felled conducted forestry operations in the following coupes within the CH RFA Area which are identified in the Timber Release Plan:

Nolans Gully logged coupes

- 9.1 297-511-0001 (Blowhard Dam);
- 9.2 297-511-0003 (Crawler);

Coles Creek logged coupes

- 9.3 297-538-0001 (Big Bull Fiddle);
- 9.4 297-538-0002 (Skinny Jim);

Mount Despair logged coupes

- 9.5 298-516-0001 (Glenview), using seed-tree retention method of logging (STR);
- 9.6 298-519-0003 (Flicka), using clear-felling method of logging (CFE);

Kalatha Creek logged coupe

9.7 298-874-0003 (Big Kahuna);

Beech Creek logged coupes

9.8 300-537-0005 (Makulu);

Hermitage Creek logged coupe

- 9.9 300-941-0008 (Murrindindi Headwaters);
- 9.10 307-003-0024 (Anderson Mill);
- 9.11 307-505-0002 (Giant);
- 9.12 307-505-0011 (Guitar Solo), using STR;

Acheron logged coupes

- 9.13 309-507-0001 (Mont Blanc), using STR;
- 9.14 309-507-0003 (Kenya), using CFE;
- 9.15 309-507-0004 (The Eiger), using CFE;

The Triangle logged coupe

9.16 317-508-0008 (Professor Xavier), using CFE;

Ada Tree logged coupes

- 9.17 344-509-0009 (Ginger Cat), using CFE;
- 9.18 348-506-0003 (Blue Vein), using CFE;

Starlings Gap logged coupes

- 9.19 345-503-0005 (Bullseye), using CFE;
- 9.20 345-505-0006 (Hairy Hyde), using CFE;
- 9.21 345-506-0004 (Opposite Fitzies), using CFE;
- 9.22 347-501-0005 (Big Blacksands Creek);
- 9.23 348-510-0008 (Return of the Tippy);
- 9.24 348-537-0005 (Tom Bowler);

New Turkey Spur logged coupe

9.25 348-515-0004 (Greendale), using CFE;

Ada River logged coupes

- 9.26 348-517-0005 (Tarzan), using CFE;
- 9.27 348-517-0006 (Jane);
- 9.28 348-517-0007 (Bomba);

9.29 348-517-0009 (Apeman);

Loch logged coupes

9.30 462-507-0008 (Estate), using STR;

Salvage Creek logged coupe

9.31 463-504-0009 (De Valera), using CFE; and

Baw Baw logged coupe

9.32 483-505-0002 (Rowels), using STR;

Cambarville logged coupes

- 9.33 312-510-0007 (Bromance), using CFE;
- 9.34 <u>312-510-0009 (Lovers Lane), using CFE;</u>

Matlock logged coupe

9.35 317-508-0010 (Swing High), using CFE;

Noojee logged coupe

9.36 <u>462-504-0004 (Skerry's Reach), by CFE;</u>

Rubicon logged coupes

- 9.37 <u>288-516-0007 (Golden Snitch), using CFE;</u>
- 9.38 288-516-0006 (Hogsmeade), using CFE;
- 9.39 <u>287-511-0006 (Houston), using CFE; and</u>
- 9.40 <u>287-511-0009 (Rocketman), using CFE</u>,

Big River Logged Coupe

9.41 <u>290-527-0004 (Camberwell Junction);</u>

(together, the **logged coupes**).

Proposed clear-felling

10. The Approved Timber Release Plan shows that the following coupes are <u>proposed for</u> forestry operations scheduled to be <u>logged</u> by the clear-felled or seed tree retention methods between 2017 and 2018 within the CH RFA Area:

Nolans Gully scheduled coupes

- 10.1 297-505-0001 (Goliath);
- 10.2 297-509-0001 (Shrek);
- 10.3 297-509-0002 (Infant);
- 10.4 297-511-0002 (Junior);

Sylvia Creek scheduled coupes

- 10.5 297-526-0001 (Gun Barrel);
- 10.6 297-530-0001 (Imperium);
- 10.7 297-530-0002 (Utopia);

Coles Creek scheduled coupe

10.8 297-538-0004 (Home & Away);

Mount Despair scheduled coupes

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10.9 298-502-0003 (Chest);
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Kalatha Creek scheduled coupe

Beech Creek scheduled coupes

Hermitage Creek scheduled coupes

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10.14 307-505-0001 (Drum Circle);
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Acheron scheduled coupe

10.17 309-507-0007 (White House);

Torbreck River scheduled coupes

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10.18 312-007-0014 (Skupani);
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10.20 312-503-0002 (Bhebe);

10.20A 312-002-0006 (Farm Spur Gum);

Salvage Creek scheduled coupe

10.21 344-501-0014 (Salvage Creek);

Ada Tree Scheduled coupe

10.22 344-509-0007 (Blue Cat);

Starlings Gap scheduled coupes

10.23 345-504-0003 (Smyth Creek);

10.24 345-504-0005 (Starlings Gap);

10.25 345-505-0006 (Hairy Hyde);

10.26 345-505-0009 (Blacksands Road);

Mount Bride scheduled coupes

10.27 345-526-0003 (Louisiana);

10.28 345-526-0004 (Bourbon Street);

New Turkey Spur scheduled coupe

10.29 348-504-0005 (Gallipoli);

Ada River scheduled coupes

10.30 348-518-0004 (Johnny);

10.31 348-519-0008 (Turducken);

Noojee scheduled coupes

10.32 462-504-0009 (Epiphanie);

10.32A 462-504-0008 (Loch Stock);

Loch scheduled coupes

10.32B 462-506-0019 (Brugha);

Loch scheduled coupe

10.33 462-507-0009 (Jakop); and

Baw Baw scheduled coupe

10.34 483-505-0018 (Diving Spur);

South Noojee scheduled coupes

10.35 <u>462-512-0002</u> (Backdoor);

10.36 <u>463-501-0005 (Lodge)</u>;

Big River scheduled coupes

10.37 290-527-0004 (Camberwell Junction);

10.38 290-525-0002 (Vice Captain);

Snobbs Creek scheduled coupes

10.39 288-505-0001 (Dry Spell); and

10.40 <u>288-506-0001 (Dry Creek Hillleaner)</u>,

(together, the scheduled coupes).

Leadbeater's Possum and Greater Glider are listed threatened species under the EPBC Act

11. The CH RFA Area is the home to, among other species of fauna, populations of Leadbeater's Possum (*Gymnobelideus leadbeateri*) and Greater Glider (*Petauroides Volans*).

Particulars

- (a) Sightings of the Leadbeater's Possum in the CH RFA Area are recorded in a Geographic Information System (GIS) file maintained by the Victorian Government Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning carrying the filename "LBPAG_SITES_CHRFA" and which can be viewed on the internet at the Victorian Government website titled "Leadbeater's Possum Interactive Map" located at lbp.cerdi.edu.au/possum map.php.
- (b) Sightings of the Greater Glider in the CH RFA Area have been recorded by observers in video footage, still photographs and by the recording of sighting locations of Greater Gliders on handheld Global Positioning System (GPS) devices, creating a point location GIS file.
 - Records of the sightings of the Greater Glider in the CH RFA Area may be inspected at the office of the Applicant's solicitor during standard business hours.
- (c) Some sightings of the Greater Glider in the CH RFA Area are recorded in two GIS files maintained by the Victorian Government Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning carrying the filenames "VBA_FAUNA25" and "VBA_FAUNA100" and which can be obtained via the Victorian Government website located at www.data.vic.gov.au.
- 12. On 11 July 2000, the Minister for the Environment and Heritage declared Leadbeater's Possum to be listed as a threatened species in the endangered category by declaration under s 178 of the EPBC Act.

- 13. On 22 April 2015, the Minister for the Environment approved a conservation advice and transferred the Leadbeater's Possum to the critically endangered category under the EPBC Act, with effect from 2 May 2015.
- 14. On 25 May 2016, tThe Minister for the Environment:
 - 14.1 on 2 May 2016, included the Greater Glider in the list of as a threatened species in the vulnerable category under s 178 of the EPBC Act; and
 - on 2 May 2016, approved a conservation advice for the species which was in effect from 5 May 2016 until about 24 May 2016;
 - 14.3 <u>on 25 May 2016 approved, by delegate, a conservation advice for the species in effect since that date.</u>
- 14A. On 14 June 2017, the Greater Glider was specified as a threatened taxon in the list under s 10 of the *Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act 1988* (Vic) (**FFG Act**).
- 15. In consequence of the listing of the Leadbeater's Possum as a threatened species in the endangered, and critically endangered, categories under the EPBC Act, the taking of an action that is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum is prohibited by s 18(2)(b) of the EPBC Act unless:
 - there is an approval in place for that action under Part 9 of the EPBC Act: s 19 of the EPBC Act; or
 - the action is a Regional Forest Agreement forestry operation undertaken in accordance with a Regional Forest Agreement (**RFA**): s 38(1) of the EPBC Act and s 6(4) of the *Regional Forest Agreements Act 2002* (Cth) (the **RFA Act**).
- 16. In consequence of the listing of the Greater Glider as a threatened species in the vulnerable category under the EPBC Act, the taking of an action that is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider is prohibited by s 18(4)(b) of the EPBC Act unless:
 - there is an approval in place for that action under Part 9 of the EPBC Act: s 19 of the EPBC Act; or

the action is a RFA forestry operation undertaken in accordance with a RFA: s 38(1) of the EPBC Act and s 6(4) of the RFA Act.

Past <u>forestry operations have, are, or are</u> logging has, is or is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum

- 17. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of</u> each of the logged coupes was an action.
- 17A. Forestry operations in some or all of the logged coupes was an action.
- 18. The logging of the Nolan's Gully logged coupes 9.1 and 9.2:
 - 18.1 has had,
 - 18.2 is having,
 - 18.3 is likely to have,

a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.

Particulars

There is a real chance that the logging of these coupes has, is or is likely to:

- (a) lead to a long term decrease in the size of the population of the Leadbeater's Possum;
- (b) reduce the area of occupancy of the Leadbeater's Possum;
- (c) fragment an existing population of Leadbeater's Possum into two or more populations;
- (d) adversely affect habitat critical to the survival of the Leadbeater's Possum:
- (e) disrupt the breeding cycle of Leadbeater's Possums;
- (f) modify, destroy, remove, isolate, or decrease the availability or quality of habitat to the extent that the Leadbeater's Possum is likely to decline;
- (g) interfere with the recovery of the Leadbeater's Possum.

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19.	The logging of the Coles Creek logged coupes 9.3 and 9.4:		
	19.1	has had,	
	19.2	is having,	
	19.3	is likely to have,	
	a signif	icant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.	
		Particulars	
		The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 18 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Coles Creek logged coupes 9.3 and 9.4.	
20.	The log	ging of the Kalatha Creek logged coupe 9.7:	
	20.1	has had,	
	20.2	is having,	
	20.3	is likely to have,	
	a signif	icant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.	
		Particulars Particulars	
		The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 18 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Kalatha Creek logged coupe 9.7.	
21.	The log	ging of the Beech Creek logged coupe 9.8:	

- 21.1 has had,
- 21.2 is having,
- 21.3 is likely to have,

a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 18 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Beech Creek logged coupe 9.8.

- 22. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Hermitage Creek logged coupes 9.9 9.12:</u>
 - 22.1 <u>have</u> has had,
 - 22.2 <u>are is having</u>,
 - 22.3 <u>are is likely to have,</u>

a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.

Particulars

There is a real chance that <u>forestry operations in the logging of this coupe have has, are is or are is likely to:</u>

- (a) <u>lead to a long-term decrease in the size of the population of the Leadbeater's Possum;</u>
- (b) <u>reduce the area of occupancy of the Leadbeater's Possum;</u>
- (c) <u>fragment an existing population of Leadbeater's Possum into two or more populations;</u>
- (d) <u>adversely affect habitat critical to the survival of the Leadbeater's Possum;</u>
- (e) disrupt the breeding cycle of Leadbeater's Possums;
- (f) modify, destroy, remove, isolate, or decrease the availability or quality of habitat to the extent that the Leadbeater's Possum is likely to decline;
- (g) interfere with the recovery of the Leadbeater's Possum;
- (h) <u>have an impact that is important, notable or of consequence for the Leadbeater's Possum having regard to its context and intensity, and the sensitivity, value and quality of the environment being impacted.</u>

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 18 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Hermitage Creek logged coupes 9.9—9.12.

- 23. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Triangle logged coupe 9.16 (Professor Xavier)</u>:
 - 23.1 <u>have</u> has had,
 - 23.2 <u>are is having</u>,
 - 23.3 <u>are is likely to have,</u>

a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 1822 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Triangle logged coupe 9.16 (Professor Xavier).

- 24. <u>Forestry operations in one or both The logging</u> of Ada Tree logged coupes 9.17 (Ginger Cat) and 9.18 (Blue Vein) individually or as a whole:
 - 24.1 have has had,
 - 24.2 <u>are is having</u>,
 - 24.3 <u>are</u> is likely to have,

a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 1822 above, and says that the particulars apply to <u>one or both of</u> the Ada Tree logged coupes 9.17 (Ginger Cat) and 9.18 (Blue Vein).

- 25. <u>Forestry operations in each, some or all The logging</u> of the Starlings Gap logged coupes 9.19, 9.20 (Hairy Hyde), and 9.21 <u>individually or as a whole</u> 9.19 9.24:
 - 25.1 <u>have</u> has had,

- 25.2 <u>are is having,</u>
- 25.3 <u>are</u> is likely to have,

a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 1822 above, and says that the particulars apply to each, some or all of the Starlings Gap logged coupes 9.19, 9.20 (Hairy Hyde), and 9.21s 9.19 — 9.24.

- 26. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of</u> the New Turkey Spur logged coupe 9.25 (Greendale):
 - 26.1 <u>have</u> has had,
 - 26.2 <u>are is having</u>,
 - 26.3 <u>are is likely to have,</u>

a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 1822 above, and says that the particulars apply to the New Turkey Spur logged coupe 9.25 (Greendale).

- 27. Forestry operations in The logging of the Ada River logged coupes 9.26 (Tarzan) 9.29:
 - 27.1 <u>have has had</u>,
 - 27.2 <u>are is having,</u>
 - 27.3 <u>are is likely to have,</u>

a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 1822 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Ada River logged coupes 9.26 (Tarzan) – 9.29.

- 28. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Salvage Creek logged coupe 9.31 (De Valera)</u>:
 - 28.1 <u>have</u> has had,
 - 28.2 <u>are is having</u>,
 - 28.3 <u>are is likely to have,</u>

a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph <u>1822</u> above, and says that the particulars apply to the Salvage Creek logged coupe 9.31 (<u>De Valera</u>).

- 29. Forestry operations in The logging of the Baw Baw logged coupe 9.32:
 - 29.1 <u>have has had</u>,
 - 29.2 <u>are is having,</u>
 - 29.3 <u>are is likely to have,</u>

a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 1822 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Baw Baw logged coupe 9.32.

- 29A. Forestry operations in The logging of the Matlock logged coupe 9.35:
 - 29A.1 have has had,
 - 29A.2 are is having,

29A.3 <u>are</u> is likely to have,

a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 22 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Matlock logged coupe 9.35.

29B. Forestry operations in The logging of the Noojee logged coupe 9.36 (Skerry's Reach):

29A.1 <u>have</u> has had,

29B.2 are is having,

29B.3 are is likely to have,

a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 22 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Noojee logged coupe 9.36 (Skerry's Reach).

29C. <u>Forestry operations in each, some or all The logging of the Rubicon logged coupes 9.37</u>
– 9.40 <u>individually or as a whole</u>:

29C.1 have has had,

29C.2 are is having,

29C.3 <u>are</u> is likely to have,

a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 22 above, and says that the particulars apply to each, some or all of the Rubicon logged coupes 9.37 – 9.40.

- 30. <u>Forestry operations in some or all</u> <u>The logging</u> of the logged coupes identified at paragraphs <u>22 18-29C</u> above (the Logged Leadbeater's Possum Coupes):
 - 30.1 <u>have</u> has had,
 - 30.2 <u>are is having</u>,
 - 30.3 are is likely to have,

a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars in paragraphs <u>22_18-29C</u> above.

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 22 and says that the particulars apply to forestry operations in some or all of the Logged Leadbeater's Possum Coupes.

Past <u>forestry operations have, are, or are</u> logging has, is or is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider

- 31. Forestry operations in The logging of each of the logged coupes was an action.
- 31A. Forestry operations in some or all of the logged coupes was an action.
- 32. <u>Forestry operations in one or both</u> The logging of the Mount Despair logged coupes 9.5 and 9.6:
 - 32.1 <u>have</u> has had,
 - 32.2 <u>are is having</u>,
 - 32.3 <u>are</u> is likely to have,
 - a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

There is a real chance that the logging forestry operations in one or both of these coupes have, are, or are has, is or is likely to:

- (a) lead to a long-term decrease in the size of an important population of Greater Glider;
- (b) reduce the area of occupancy of an important population of Greater Glider;
- (c) fragment an important population of Greater Glider into two or more populations;
- (d) adversely affect habitat critical to the survival of the Greater Glider;
- (e) disrupt the breeding cycle of an important population of Greater Gliders;
- (f) modify, destroy, remove, isolate, or decrease the availability or quality of habitat to the extent that the Greater Glider is likely to decline;
- (g) interfere substantially with the recovery of the Greater Glider;
- (h) <u>have an impact that is important, notable or of consequence for the</u>

 <u>Greater Glider, having regard to its context and intensity, and the sensitivity, value and quality of the environment being impacted.</u>
- 33. Forestry operations in The logging of the Hermitage Creek logged coupe 9.12:
 - 33.1 <u>have</u> has had,
 - 33.2 <u>are is having,</u>
 - 33.3 <u>are is likely to have,</u>

a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 32 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Hermitage Creek logged coupe 9.12.

- 34. <u>Forestry operations in each, some or all The logging</u> of the Acheron logged coupes 9.13 9.15:
 - 34.1 <u>have</u> has had,
 - 34.2 <u>are is having,</u>
 - 34.3 $\underline{\text{are }}$ is likely to have,

a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 32 above, and says that the particulars apply to <u>each</u>, some or all of the Acheron logged coupes 9.13 - 9.15.

- 35. <u>Forestry operations in one or both The logging</u> of the Ada Tree logged coupes 9.17 (Ginger Cat) and 9.18 (Blue Vein) individually or as a whole:
 - 35.1 <u>have</u> has had,
 - 35.2 <u>are is having</u>,
 - 35.3 <u>are is likely to have,</u>

a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 32 above, and says that the particulars apply to <u>one or both of</u> the Ada Tree logged coupes 9.17 (Ginger Cat) and 9.18 (Blue Vein).

36. Forestry operations in The logging of the Starlings Gap logged coupe 9.20 (Hairy Hyde):

- 36.1 <u>have</u> has had,
- 36.2 <u>are</u> is having,
- 36.3 <u>are</u> is likely to have,

a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 32 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Starlings Gap logged coupe 9.20 (Hairy Hyde).

- 37. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of</u> the Ada River logged coupe 9.26 (Tarzan):
 - 37.1 <u>have</u> has had,
 - 37.2 <u>are is having</u>,
 - 37.3 <u>are is likely to have,</u>
 - a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 32 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Ada River logged coupe 9.26 (Tarzan).

- 38. Forestry operations in The logging of the Loch logged coupe 9.30:
 - 38.1 <u>have</u> has had,
 - 38.2 <u>are is having,</u>
 - 38.3 <u>are</u> is likely to have,
 - a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 32 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Loch logged coupe 9.30.

- 39. Forestry operations in The logging of the Baw Baw logged coupe 9.32:
 - 39.1 <u>have has had,</u>
 - 39.2 <u>are is having</u>,
 - 39.3 <u>are is likely to have,</u>

a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 32 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Baw Baw logged coupe 9.32.

- 39A. <u>Forestry operations in one or both</u> <u>The logging</u> of the Cambarville logged coupes 9.33 and 9.34 <u>individually or as a whole</u>:
 - 39A. 1 have has had,
 - 39A.2 are is having,
 - 39A.3 <u>are</u> is likely to have,

a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 32 above, and says that the particulars apply to one or both of the Cambarville logged coupes 9.33 and 9.34.

- 39B. Forestry operations in The logging of the Matlock logged coupe 9.35:
 - 39B. 1 have has had,
 - 39B.2 are is having,
 - 39B.3 are is likely to have,

a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 32 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Matlock logged coupe 9.35.

39C. Forestry operations in The logging of the Noojee logged coupe 9.36 (Skerry's Reach):

39C. 1 have has had,

39C.2 are is having,

39C.3 are is likely to have,

a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 32 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Noojee logged coupe 9.36 (Skerry's Reach).

39D. Forestry operations in the Big River logged coupe 9.41 (Camberwell Junction):

39D. 1 have had,

39D.2 are having,

39D.3 are likely to have,

a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 32 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Big River logged coupe 9.41 (Camberwell Junction).

- 40. <u>Forestry operations in some or all The logging</u> of the coupes identified at paragraphs 32-39 (the **Logged Glider Coupes**) above:
 - 40.1 have has had,
 - 40.2 <u>are is having</u>,

40.3 <u>are is likely to have,</u>

a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars in paragraphs 32-39 above.

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 32 and says that the particulars apply to forestry operations in some or all of the Logged Glider Coupes.

Scheduled logging is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum

- 41. Forestry operations in The logging of each of the scheduled coupes will be an action.
- 41A. Forestry operations in some or all of the scheduled coupes will be an action.
- 42. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Nolan's Gully coupe 10.1, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.</u>

Particulars

There is a real chance that <u>forestry operations in</u> The logging of this coupe will or <u>are</u> is likely to:

- (a) lead to a long-term decrease in the size of the population of Leadbeater's Possum;
- (b) reduce the area of occupancy of Leadbeater's Possum;
- (c) fragment an existing population of Leadbeater's Possum into two or more populations;
- (d) adversely affect habitat critical to the survival of Leadbeater's Possum;
- (e) disrupt the breeding cycle of Leadbeater's Possums;
- (f) modify, destroy, remove, isolate, or decrease the availability or quality of habitat to the extent that Leadbeater's Possum is likely to decline;

- (g) interfere with the recovery of the Leadbeater's Possum;
- (h) <u>have an impact that is important, notable or of consequence for the</u>

 <u>Leadbeater's Possum, having regard to its context and intensity, and</u>

 the sensitivity, value and quality of the environment being impacted.
- 43. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Nolan's Gully coupe 10.2, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.</u>

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 42 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Nolan's Gully coupe 10.2.

44. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Nolan's Gully coupe 10.3, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 42 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Nolan's Gully coupe 10.3.

45. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Nolan's Gully coupe 10.4, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 42 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Nolan's Gully coupe 10.4.

46. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of</u> the Sylvia Creek coupe 10.5, <u>are</u> is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 42 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Sylvia Creek coupe 10.5.

47. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of</u> the Sylvia Creek coupe 10.6, <u>are</u> is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 42 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Sylvia Creek coupe 10.6.

48. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of</u> the Sylvia Creek coupe 10.7, <u>are is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 42 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Sylvia Creek coupe 10.7.

49. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of</u> the Coles Creek coupe 10.8, <u>are</u> is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 42 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Coles Creek coupe 10.8.

50. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of</u> the Kalatha Creek coupe 10.11, <u>are is</u> likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 42 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Kalatha Creek coupe 10.11.

51. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of</u> the Beech Creek coupe 10.12, <u>are is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 42 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Beech Creek coupe 10.12.

52. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of</u> the Beech Creek coupe 10.13, <u>are</u> is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 42 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Beech Creek coupe 10.13.

53. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Hermitage Creek coupe 10.14, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 42 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Hermitage Creek coupe 10.14.

54. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Hermitage Creek coupe 10.15, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 42 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Hermitage Creek coupe 10.15.

55. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Hermitage Creek coupe 10.16, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 42 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Hermitage Creek coupe 10.16.

56. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Torbreck River coupe 10.18, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 42 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Torbreck River coupe 10.18.

57. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Torbreck River coupe 10.19, <u>are</u> is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.</u>

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 42 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Torbreck River coupe 10.19.

58. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Torbreck River coupe 10.20, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 42 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Torbreck River coupe 10.20.

59. The logging of the Salvage Creek coupe 10.21, is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 42 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Salvage Creek coupe 10.21.

60. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of</u> the Ada Tree coupe 10.22, <u>are is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 42 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Ada Tree coupe 10.22.

61. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Starlings Gap coupe 10.23, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 42 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Starlings Gap coupe 10.23.

62. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of of the Starlings Gap coupe 10.24, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.</u>

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 42 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Starlings Gap coupe 10.24.

63. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Starlings Gap coupe 10.25, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 42 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Starlings Gap coupe 10.25.

64. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Starlings Gap coupe 10.26, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 42 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Starlings Gap coupe 10.26.

65. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of</u> the Mount Bride coupe 10.27, <u>are is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 42 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Mount Bride coupe 10.27.

66. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Mount Bride coupe 10.28, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 42 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Mount Bride coupe 10.28.

67. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the New Turkey Spur coupe 10.29, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.</u>

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 42 above, and says that the particulars apply to the New Turkey Spur coupe 10.29.

68. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of</u> the Ada River coupe 10.30, <u>are is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 42 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Ada River coupe 10.30.

69. <u>Forestry operations in</u> The logging of the Ada River coupe 10.31, <u>are</u> is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 42 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Ada River coupe 10.31.

70. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of</u> the Baw Baw coupe 10.34, <u>are is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 42 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Baw Baw coupe 10.34.

70A. The logging of the Matlock coupe 10.35, is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 42 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Matlock scheduled coupe 10.35.

70B. Forestry operations in The logging of the Noojee coupe 10.32A, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 42 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Noojee scheduled coupe 10.32A.

71. The proposed <u>forestry operations in some or all logging</u> of the scheduled coupes identified at paragraphs 42-<u>58</u>, 60-70B above <u>(the Scheduled Leadbeater's Possum Coupes)</u> are is likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeaters' Possum.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraphs 42-<u>58</u>, <u>60-</u>70<u>B</u> above.

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 32 and says that the particulars apply to forestry operations in some or all of the Scheduled Leadbeater's Possum Coupes.

Scheduled logging is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider

- 72. Forestry operations in The logging of each of the scheduled coupes will be an action.
- 72A. Forestry operations in some or all of the scheduled coupes will be an action.
- 73. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Nolan's Gully coupe 10.1, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.</u>

Particulars

There is a real chance that $\underline{\text{forestry operations in}}$ the logging of this coupe will or $\underline{\text{are }}$ likely to:

- (a) lead to a long-term decrease in the size of an important population of Greater Glider;
- (b) reduce the area of occupancy of an important population of Greater Glider;
- (c) fragment an important population of Greater Glider into two or more populations;

- (d) adversely affect habitat critical to the survival of the Greater Glider;
- (e) disrupt the breeding cycle of an important population of Greater Gliders;
- (f) modify, destroy, remove, isolate, or decrease the availability or quality of habitat to the extent that the Greater Glider is likely to decline;
- (g) interfere substantially with the recovery of the Greater Glider
- (h) <u>have an impact that is important, notable or of consequence for the</u>

 <u>Greater Glider, having regard to its context and intensity, and the sensitivity, value and quality of the environment being impacted.</u>
- 74. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Nolan's Gully coupe 10.2, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.</u>

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Nolan's Gully coupe 10.2.

75. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Nolan's Gully coupe 10.3, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Nolan's Gully coupe 10.3.

76. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Nolan's Gully coupe 10.4, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Nolan's Gully coupe 10.4.

77. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of</u> the Sylvia Creek coupe 10.5, <u>are</u> is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Sylvia Creek coupe 10.5.

78. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of</u> the Sylvia Creek coupe 10.6, <u>are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Sylvia Creek coupe 10.6.

79. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of</u> the Sylvia Creek coupe 10.7, <u>are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Sylvia Creek coupe 10.7.

80. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of</u> the Coles Creek coupe 10.8, <u>are</u> is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Coles Creek coupe 10.8.

81. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Mount Despair coupe 10.9, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Mount Despair coupe 10.9.

82. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Mount Despair coupe 10.10, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.</u>

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Mount Despair coupe 10.10.

83. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of</u> the Kalatha Creek coupe 10.11, <u>are is</u> likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Kalatha Creek coupe 10.11.

84. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of</u> the Beech Creek coupe 10.12, <u>are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Beech Creek coupe 10.12.

85. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of</u> the Beech Creek coupe 10.13, <u>are</u> is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Beech Creek coupe 10.13.

86. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of</u> the Hermitage Creek coupe 10.14, <u>are</u> is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Hermitage Creek coupe 10.14.

87. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Hermitage Creek coupe 10.15, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.</u>

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Hermitage Creek coupe 10.15.

88. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of</u> the Hermitage Creek coupe 10.16, <u>are</u> is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Hermitage Creek coupe 10.16.

89. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Acheron coupe 10.17, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Acheron coupe 10.17.

90. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Torbreck River coupe 10.18, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Torbreck River coupe 10.18.

91. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Torbreck River coupe 10.19, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Torbreck River coupe 10.19.

92. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Torbreck River coupe 10.20, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.</u>

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Torbreck River coupe 10.20.

92A. Forestry operations in The logging of the Torbreck River coupe 10.20A, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Torbreck River coupe 10.20A.

92B. Forestry operations in The logging of the Ada Tree coupe 10.22, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Ada Tree coupe 10.22.

93. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Starlings Gap coupe 10.23, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Starlings Gap coupe 10.23.

94. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Starlings Gap coupe 10.24, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Starlings Gap coupe 10.24.

95. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Starlings Gap coupe 10.25, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.</u>

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Starlings Gap coupe 10.25.

96. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Starlings Gap coupe 10.26, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Starlings Gap coupe 10.26.

97. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of Mount Bride coupe 10.27, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Mount Bride coupe 10.27.

98. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of</u> the Mount Bride coupe 10.28, <u>are</u> is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Mount Bride coupe 10.28.

99. <u>Forestry operations in</u> The logging of the New Turkey Spur coupe 10.29, <u>are</u> is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the New Turkey Spur coupe 10.29.

100. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of</u> the Ada River coupe 10.30, <u>are</u> is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Ada River coupe 10.30.

101. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of</u> the Ada River coupe 10.31, <u>are</u> is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Ada River coupe 10.31.

102. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Noojee coupe 10.32</u>, <u>are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Noojee coupe 10.32.

102A. Forestry operations in The logging of the Noojee coupe 10.32A, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Noojee coupe 10.32A.

102B. Forestry operations in The logging of the Loch Noojee coupe 10.32B, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Loch Noojee coupe 10.32B.

103. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Loch coupe 10.33</u>, <u>are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.</u>

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Loch coupe 10.33.

104. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of</u> the Baw Baw coupe 10.34, <u>are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Baw Baw coupe 10.34.

104A. Forestry operations in The logging of the South Noojee coupe 10.35, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the South Noojee coupe 10.35.

104B. Forestry operations in The logging of the South Noojee coupe 10.36, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the South Noojee coupe 10.36.

104C. <u>Forestry operations in The logging of the Big River coupe 10.37, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.</u>

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Big River coupe 10.37.

104D. Forestry operations in The logging of the Big River coupe 10.38, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Big River coupe 10.38.

104E. Forestry operations in The logging of the Snobbs Creek coupe 10.39, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Snobbs Creek coupe 10.39.

104F. Forestry operations in The logging of the Snobbs Creek coupe 10.40, are is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 above, and says that the particulars apply to the Snobbs Creek coupe 10.40.

105. The proposed <u>forestry operations in some or all logging</u> of the scheduled coupes identified at paragraphs 73-104<u>F</u> above <u>are</u> is likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraphs $73-104\underline{F}$ above.

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars at paragraph 73 and says that the particulars apply to forestry operations in some or all of the scheduled coupes.

<u>Past and scheduled forestry operations are likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum and Greater Glider</u>

105A. Forestry operations in some or all of the Logged Leadbeater's Possum Coupes and Scheduled Leadbeater's Possum Coupes is an action.

105B. Forestry operations in some or all of the Logged Leadbeater's Possum Coupes and Scheduled Leadbeater's Possum Coupes have, will, or are likely to have a significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum.

Particulars

There is a real chance that forestry operations in some or all of the Logged Leadbeater's Possum Coupes and Scheduled Leadbeater's Possum Coupes have, will or are likely to:

- (a) <u>lead to a long-term decrease in the size of the population of</u>
 Leadbeater's Possum;
- (b) reduce the area of occupancy of Leadbeater's Possum;
- (c) <u>fragment an existing population of Leadbeater's Possum into two or more populations;</u>
- (d) adversely affect habitat critical to the survival of Leadbeater's Possum;
- (e) <u>disrupt the breeding cycle of Leadbeater's Possums;</u>
- (f) modify, destroy, remove, isolate, or decrease the availability or quality of habitat to the extent that Leadbeater's Possum is likely to decline;
- (g) interfere with the recovery of the Leadbeater's Possum;
- (h) have an impact that is important, notable or of consequence for the

 Leadbeater's Possum, having regard to its context and intensity, and
 the sensitivity, value and quality of the environment being impacted.
- 105C. Forestry operations in some or all of the Logged Glider Coupes and scheduled coupes is an action.

105D. Forestry operations in some or all of the Logged Glider Coupes and scheduled coupes have, will, or are likely to have a significant impact on the Greater Glider.

Particulars

There is a real chance that these forestry operations in some or all of the Logged Glider Coupes and scheduled coupes have, will or are likely to:

- (a) <u>lead to a long-term decrease in the size of an important population of</u>

 Greater Glider;
- (b) reduce the area of occupancy of an important population of Greater Glider;
- (c) <u>fragment an important population of Greater Glider into two or more populations;</u>
- (d) adversely affect habitat critical to the survival of the Greater Glider;
- (e) <u>disrupt the breeding cycle of an important population of Greater</u>

 Gliders;
- (f) modify, destroy, remove, isolate, or decrease the availability or quality of habitat to the extent that the Greater Glider is likely to decline;
- (g) interfere substantially with the recovery of the Greater Glider;
- (h) have an impact that is important, notable or of consequence for the

 Greater Glider, having regard to its context and intensity, and the
 sensitivity, value and quality of the environment being impacted.

No approval under Part 9 of the EPBC Act

- 106. At the time of the <u>forestry operations in</u> <u>logging of</u> the logged coupes, there was no approval in operation under Part 9 of the EPBC Act for the <u>forestry operations</u> <u>harvesting</u> <u>of trees</u> in the logged coupes.
- 107. There is no approval in operation under Part 9 of the EPBC Act for <u>forestry operations</u> the harvesting of trees in the scheduled coupes.

Logging is not in accordance with a Regional Forestry Agreement

- 108. On 27 March 1998, the State of Victoria and the Commonwealth of Australia entered into the Central Highlands Regional Forest Agreement (the **CH RFA**) in respect of the CH RFA Area.
- 109. The CH RFA is a RFA for the purpose of the RFA Act.
- 110. The <u>forestry operations in logging of</u> the logged coupes <u>was a were forestry operations</u> for the purposes of the RFA Act.
- 111. The proposed <u>forestry operations in logging of</u> the scheduled coupes <u>is a are</u> forestry operations for the purposes of the RFA Act.
- 112. The:
 - 112.1 logging of the logged coupes; and
 - the proposed logging of the scheduled coupes

was not, and is not, in accordance with the CH RFA.

- (a) Clause 5 of the CH RFA provides that the CH RFA will remain in force for 20 years. The expiry date for the CH RFA is 27 March 2018.
- (b) Clause 36 of the CH RFA provides that, every five years, a review of the performance of the CH RFA will be undertaken.
- (c) The first five-yearly review for the CH RFA, which was due to be undertaken by 27 March 2003;
 - (i) has not been undertaken; or
 - (ii) alternatively, was not undertaken until in or about June 2015.
- (d) The second five-yearly review for the CH RFA, which was due to be undertaken by 27 March 2008;
 - (i) has not been undertaken; or

- (ii) alternatively, was not undertaken until in or about June 2015.
- (e) The third five yearly review for the CH RFA, which was due to be undertaken by 27 March 2013, has not been undertaken.
- (f) In consequence of the failure to undertake:
 - (i) the first and second five-yearly reviews until in or about June 2015 for the CH RFA; or
 - (ii) the first, second, and third five-yearly reviews for the CH RFA; or
 - (iii) the third five-yearly review for the CH RFA,

forestry operations in the CH RFA Area:

- (iv) have not been undertaken in accordance with the CH RFA since:
 - (i) 27 March 2003; or
 - (ii) 27 March 2008; or
 - (iii) 27 March 2013;
- (v) are not now being undertaken in accordance with the CH RFA; and
- (vi) cannot in the future be undertaken in accordance with the CH RFA.

113. Because the:

- 113.1 logging of the logged coupes; and
- the proposed logging of the scheduled coupes;

is not in accordance with the CH RFA, those forestry operations are not exempt from the application of Part 3 of the EPBC Act, pursuant to either s 38(1) of the EPBC Act or s 6(4) of the RFA Act.

113A. Forestry operations in The logging of:

113A.1 each of the Logged Glider Coupes; or, alternatively

113A.2 some or all of the Logged Glider Coupes as a whole;

was not in accordance with cl 47 of the CH RFA because:

113A.3 in each of the Logged Glider Coupes; or, alternatively

113A.4 in some or all of the Logged Glider Coupes as a whole;

VicForests failed to comply with cl 2.2.2.2 of the Code of Practice for Timber Production 2014 (the Code).

- (a) <u>Clauses 33 and 40 of the CH RFA require forestry operations to be</u> <u>conducted in accordance with those processes and systems that are</u> accredited under cl 47 of the CH RFA.
- (b) <u>Clause 47 of the CH RFA accredits, amongst other components, the Code.</u>
- At all material times, cl 2.2.2.2 of the Code required VicForests to apply the precautionary principle to the conservation of biodiversity values consistent with relevant monitoring and research that has improved the understanding of the effects of forest management on forest ecology and conservation values.
- (d) Although the Greater Glider has been included as a threatened species in the vulnerable category under the EPBC Act and in the threatened list under the FFG Act (see paragraphs 14-14A above):
 - (i) the Secretary to the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning has failed to prepare an Action Statement for the Greater Glider;
 - (ii) <u>the Minister for the Environment has not made or adopted a</u>

 Recovery Plan for the Greater Glider; and
 - (iii) <u>the Management Standards and Procedures for Timber</u> Harvesting Operations in Victoria's State Forests 2014 (the

Management Standards and Procedures) do not specify any conservation measures or prescriptions for the Greater Glider in the Central Highlands RFA area.

- (e) It was and remains probable or seriously possible that the logging of each, some or all of the Logged Glider Coupes, individually or, alternatively, as a whole, posed and continues to pose a threat of serious or irreversible damage to the Greater Glider and there was and remains scientific uncertainty as to that threat.
- (f) VicForests has failed to take a precautionary approach to its timber harvesting operations in coupes in the Central Highlands RFA Area in which the Greater Glider is present because:
 - (i) <u>VicForests has not conducted detection activities or surveys or</u>

 <u>adequate detection activities or surveys for the Greater Glider in</u>

 <u>all or any of the Logged Glider Coupes; or</u>
 - (ii) VicForests has not specified any timber harvesting prescriptions
 to protect the Greater Glider consequent upon the detection or
 report of a detection of Greater Glider in all or any of the Logged
 Glider Coupes;
 - (iii) <u>VicForests has failed to act on reports that the Greater Glider is</u>
 present in all or any of the Logged Glider Coupes;
 - (iv) VicForests has not specified any timber harvesting prescriptions
 to protect the Greater Glider in all or any of the Logged Glider
 Coupes:
 - A. <u>at all;</u>
 - B. <u>proportionate to the threat posed by timber harvesting operations.</u>
 - (v) <u>VicForests' "Interim Greater Glider Conservation Strategy"</u> does not require in coupes in the Central Highlands RFA area:

- A. <u>detection activities or surveys for the Greater Glider;</u>
- B. the application of timber harvesting prescriptions for the Greater Glider:
 - 1. at all;
 - 2. <u>upon detection of the presence of a Greater Glider; or</u>
 - 3. at all within Ash forest; or
 - 4. proportionate to the threat posed by timber harvesting operations.
- 113B. Forestry operations in The logging of the Skerry's Reach coupe were was not in accordance with cl 47 of the CH RFA because VicForests failed to comply with cl 2.2.2.4 of the Code.

- (a) The applicant refers to and repeats paragraphs (a) and (b) of the Particulars to paragraph 113A above.
- (b) At all material times, cl 2.2.2.4 of the Code required VicForests to identify biodiversity values listed in the Management Standards and Procedures and "address risks to these values through management actions consistent with the Management Standards and Procedures".
- VicForests failed to identify mature Tree Geebungs in Skerry's Reach coupe and, contrary to 4.3 of the Management Standards and Procedures, read with the prescriptions for the Central Highlands FMA in Appendix 3, Table 14, failed to protect those mature Tree Geebungs from disturbance when logging Skerry's Reach coupe where it was possible to do so.
- 113C. Forestry operations in The logging of the Blue Vein coupe were was not in accordance with cl 47 of the CH RFA because VicForests failed to comply with cl 2.2.2.4 of the Code.

- (a) The applicant refers to and repeats paragraphs (a) and (b) of the Particulars to paragraph 113B above.
- (b) VicForests failed to identify an area of Leadbeater's Possum Zone 1A

 habitat in the Blue Vein coupe and, contrary to cl 4.2 of the

 Management Standards and Procedures, failed to follow cl 2.1.1.3 of
 the Management Standards and Procedures by applying to the
 Secretary to the Department of Environment, Land, Water and
 Planning to create a special protection zone that includes the Zone 1A
 habitat in accordance with Appendix 5 of the Planning Standards prior
 to commencing logging the Blue Vein coupe.
- 113D. Forestry operations in The logging of the Hairy Hyde coupe were was not in accordance with cl 47 of the CH RFA because VicForests failed to comply with cl 2.2.2.4 of the Code.

- (a) The applicant refers to and repeats paragraphs (a) and (b) of the Particulars to paragraph 113B above.
- VicForests failed to identify Leadbeater's Possum colony within the
 Hairy Hyde coupe, and contrary to clause 4.2 of the Management
 Standards and Procedures, failed to follow cl 2.1.1.3 of the
 Management Standards and Procedures, by applying to the Secretary
 to the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning to create
 a special protection zone for the colony in accordance with Appendix
 5 of the Planning Standards prior to commencing logging the Hairy
 Hyde coupe.
- 113E. Forestry operations in any, some or all The logging of each of the logged coupes other than Blue Vein, Hairy Hyde, Tarzan, Rowels, the Cambarville logged coupes and Swing High (the 113E coupes) were was not in accordance with cl 47 of the CH RFA because VicForests failed to comply, in planning and conducting those forestry operations that logging, with:

113E.1 cl 2.3.1.1; and

113E.2 cl 2.5.1.1 of the Code.

- (a) The applicant refers to and repeats Particulars (a) and (b) to paragraph 113A above.
- (b) At all material times cl 2.3.1.1 of the Code required VicForests to plan all timber harvesting operations to meet the requirements of the Code and the Management Standards and Procedures.
- (c) At all material times, cl 2.5.1.1 of the Code required VicForests to plan and manage timber harvesting operations in compliance with relevant coupe management measures specified in the Management Standards and Procedures.
 - (i) At all material times, cl 5.3.1.5 of the Management Standards and Procedures required VicForests to screen timber harvesting operations (except selective harvesting operations) by using a minimum 20-metre vegetation buffer.
 - (ii) At all material times, cl 7.1.2.1(c) of the Management Standards and Procedures required that timber harvesting operations must be excluded from exclusion areas created in accordance with the Management Standards and Procedures.
 - (iii) At all material times, the Code's definition of "exclusion areas"

 (which is adopted by the Management Standards and Procedures)

 has been "an area within the GMZ or SMZ where timber harvesting operations are excluded in accordance with this Code".
 - (iv) The 113E coupes are within the GMZ.

- (d) <u>In the 113E coupes, VicForests failed to screen timber harvesting operations and new road alignments from view with a 20m vegetation buffer.</u>
- (e) <u>VicForests therefore:</u>
 - (i) <u>failed to plan and manage timber harvesting for the 113E coupes</u> <u>in accordance with cl 5.3.1.5 of the Management Standards and</u> <u>Procedures; and</u>
 - (ii) <u>failed to exclude timber-harvesting operations from the exclusion areas created for the 113E coupes in accordance with cl 7.1.2.1(c) of the Management Standards and Procedures.</u>
- 113F. Forestry operations in any, some or all The logging of each of the De Valera coupe, the Ginger Cat coupe, the Greendale coupe, the Professor Xavier coupe and the Rubicon logged coupes (together, the 113F coupes) were was not in accordance with cl 47 of the CH RFA because VicForests failed to comply with cl 2.2.2.1 of the Code.

- (a) The applicant refers to and repeats paragraphs (a) and (b) of the Particulars to paragraph 113A above, and paragraph (c) of the Particulars to paragraph 113B above.
- (b) At all material times, cl 2.2.2.1 of the Code required VicForests plan and manage timber harvesting operations in compliance with relevant biodiversity conservation measures specified within the Management Standards and Procedures.
- (c) Contrary to cl 4.1.4.4 of the Management Standards and Procedures, there are gaps between retained vegetation in each of the 113F coupes that are greater than 150m.
- 113G. Because the forestry operations in any, some or all logging of the coupes alleged in paragraphs 113A to 113F above was not in accordance with the CH RFA, those forestry operations were not exempt from the application of Part 3 of the EPBC Act, pursuant to either s 38(1) of the EPBC Act or s 6(4) of the RFA Act.

113H. The proposed forestry operations in logging of:

113H.1 each of the scheduled coupes; or

113H.2 some or all of the scheduled coupes,

are is not in accordance with cl 47 of the CH RFA because in:

113H.3 each scheduled coupe; or

113H.4 some or all of the scheduled coupes,

VicForests has failed, and will fail, to comply with cl 2.2.2.2 of the Code.

Particulars

The Applicant refers to and repeats the particulars to paragraph 113A above, and says that those particulars apply to any, some or all of the scheduled coupes.

113I. Because the proposed forestry operations in any, some or all logging of the scheduled coupes alleged in paragraph 113H are is not in accordance with the CH RFA, those forestry operations are not exempt from the application of Part 3 of the EPBC Act, pursuant to either s 38(1) of the EPBC Act or s 6(4) of the RFA Act.

Past logging is a contravention of the EPBC Act

- 114. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 9, 11-13, 17-29, 106, 108-113 above, the logging of each of the logged coupes was a contravention of:
 - 114.1 s 18(2)(b) of the EPBC Act; and
 - 114.2 s 18(4)(b) of the EPBC Act.
- 115. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 9, specifically 9.5, 9.6, 9.12-9.15, 9.17, 9.18, 9.20, 9.26, 9.30, 9.32-9.36, 11-14, 17, 22, 24, 25, 27, 29-29B, 31-39C, 106, 108-110, 113A and 113G above, the logging of each of the logged Glider coupes was a contravention of:
 - 115.1 s 18(2)(b) of the EPBC Act; and
 - 115.2 s 18(4)(b) of the EPBC Act.

- 115AA. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 3-5, 9.12, 9.17, 9.18, 9.20, 9.26, 9.32, 9.35, 9.36, 11, 13, 14, 14A, 15, 17, 22-29C, 106, 108-110, 113A and 113G above, VicForests' conduct of forestry operations in each of the coupes described at paragraphs 9.12, 9.17, 9.18, 9.20, 9.26, 9.32, 9.35, 9.36 was a contravention of s 18(2)(b) of the EPBC Act.
- 115AB. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 3-5, 9.5, 9.6, 9.12-9.15, 9.17-9.18, 9.20, 9.26, 9.30, 9.32-9.36, 9.41, 11, 14, 14A, 16, 31, 32-39€D, 106, 108-110, 113A and 113G above, VicForests' conduct of forestry operations in each of the Logged Glider Coupes was a contravention of s 18(4)(b) of the EPBC Act.
- 115AC. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 3-5, 9.12, 9.17, 9.18, 9.20, 9.26, 9.32, 9.35, 9.36, 11, 13, 14, 14A, 15, 17A, 30, 106, 108-110, 113A and 113G above, VicForests' conduct of forestry operations in some or all of the coupes described at paragraphs 9.12, 9.17, 9.18, 9.20, 9.26, 9.32, 9.35, 9.36 was a contravention of s 18(2)(b) of the EPBC Act.
- 115AD. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 3-5, 9.5, 9.6, 9.12-9.15, 9.17-9.18, 9.20, 9.26, 9.30, 9.32-9.36, 9.41, 11, 14, 14A, 16, 31A, 40, 106, 108-110, 113A and 113G above, VicForests' conduct of forestry operations in some or all of the Logged Glider Coupes was a contravention of s 18(4)(b) of the EPBC Act.
- 115A. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 9, specifically 9.36, 11, 13-14, 17, 29B, 39C, 106, 108-110, 113B and 113G above, the logging of the Skerry's Reach coupe was a contravention of:

115A.1 s 18(2)(b) of the EPBC Act; and

115A.2 s 18(4)(b) of the EPBC Act.

- 115AE. By reason of the matters in paragraph 3-5, 9.36, 11, 13, 15, 17, 29B, 106, 108-110, 113B and 113G above, VicForests' conduct of forestry operations in the Skerry's Reach coupe were a contravention of s 18(2)(b) of the EPBC Act.
- 115AF. By reason of the matters in paragraph 3-5, 9.36, 11, 14, 16, 31, 39C, 106, 108-110, 113B and 113G above, VicForests' conduct of forestry operations in the Skerry's Reach coupe was a contravention of s 18(4)(b) of the EPBC Act.

115B. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 9, specifically 9.18, 11-14, 15-17, 24, 35, 106, 108-110, 113C and 113G above, the forestry operations in logging of the Blue Vein coupe were was a contravention of:

115B.1 s 18(2)(b) of the EPBC Act; and

115B.2 s 18(4)(b) of the EPBC Act.

- 115BA. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 3-5, 9.18, 11, 13, 15, 17, 24, 106, 108-110, 113C and 113G above, VicForests' conduct of forestry operations in the Blue Vein coupe was a contravention of s 18(2)(b) of the EPBC Act.
- 115BB. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 3-5, 9.18, 11, 14, 16, 31, 35, 106, 108-110, 113C and 113G above, VicForests' conduct of forestry operations in the Blue Vein coupe was a contravention of s 18(4)(b) of the EPBC Act.
- 115C. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 9, specifically 9.20, 11-14, 15-17, 25, 36, 106, 108-110, 113D and 113G above, the forestry operations in logging of the Hairy Hyde coupe were was a contravention of:

115C.1 s 18(2)(b) of the EPBC Act; and

115C.2 s 18(4)(b) of the EPBC Act.

- 115CA. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 3-5, 9.20, 11, 13, 15, 17, 25, 106, 108-110, 113D and 113G above, VicForests' conduct of forestry operations in the Hairy Hyde Coupe was a contravention of s 18(2)(b) of the EPBC Act.
- 115CB. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 3-5, 9.20, 11, 14, 16, 31, 36, 106, 108-110, 113D and 113G above, VicForests' conduct of forestry operations in the Hairy Hyde Coupe was a contravention of s 18(4)(b) of the EPBC Act.
- 115D. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 9 (excluding 9.18, 9.20, 9.26, 9.32-9.35), 11-14, 17-29C (excluding 27, 29, 29A), 31-39C (excluding 36, 37, 39-39B), 106, 108-110, 113E and 113G above, the logging of:

115D.1 each of the 113E coupes; or

115D.2 the 113E coupes;

was a contravention of:

115D.3 s 18(2)(b) of the EPBC Act; and

115D.4 s 18(4)(b) of the EPBC Act.

- 115DA. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 3-5, 9.12, 9.16, 9.17, 9.19, 9.21, 9.25, 9.31, 9.36-9.40, 11-13, 15, 17, 18-27, 28, 29B-29C, 106, 108-110, 113E and 113G above, VicForests' conduct of forestry operations in each of the 113E coupes was a contravention of s 18(2)(b) of the EPBC Act.
- 115DB. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 3-5, 9.5, 9.6, 9.12-9.15, 9.17, 9.30, 9.36, 9.41, 11, 14, 16, 31, 32-35, 38, 39C, 39D, 106, 108-110, 113E and 113G above, VicForests' conduct of forestry operations in each of the 113E coupes was a contravention of s 18(4)(b) of the EPBC Act.
- 115DC. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 3-5, 9.12, 9.16-9.17, 9.19, 9.21, 9.25, 9.31, 9.36-9.40, 11-13, 15, 17A, 30, 106, 108-110, 113E and 113G above, VicForests' conduct of forestry operations in some or all of the 113E coupes was a contravention of s 18(2)(b) of the EPBC Act.
- 115DD. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 3-5, 9.5, 9.6, 9.12-9.15, 9.17, 9.30, 9.36, 9.41, 11, 14, 16, 31A, 40, 106, 108-110, 113E and 113G above, VicForests' conduct of forestry operations in some or all of the 113E coupes was a contravention of s 18(4)(b) of the EPBC Act.
- 115E. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 9, specifically 9.16, 9.17, 9.25, 9.31, 9.37-9.40, 11-14, 17, 23, 24, 26, 28, 29C, 35, 106, 108-110, 113F and 113G above, the logging of:

115D.1 each of the 113F coupes; and

115D.2 the 113F coupes;

was a contravention of:

115D.3 s 18(2)(b) of the EPBC Act; or

115D.4 s 18(4)(b) of the EPBC Act.

- 115EA. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 3-5, 9.16, 9.17, 9.25, 9.31, 9.37-9.40, 11-13, 15, 17, 23, 24, 26, 28, 29C, 106, 108-110, 113F and 113G above, VicForests' conduct of forestry operations in each of the 113F coupes was a contravention of s 18(2)(b) of the EPBC Act.
- 115EB. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 3-5, 9.16, 9.17, 9.25, 9.31, 9.37-9.40, 11-13, 15, 17, 30, 106, 108-110, 113F and 113G above, VicForests' conduct of forestry operations in some or all of the 113F coupes was a contravention of s 18(2)(b) of the EPBC Act.
- 116. Alternatively, by reason of the matters in
 - 116.1 paragraphs 9, specifically 9.5, 9.6, 9.12-9.15, 9.17, 9.18, 9.20, 9.26, 9.30, 9.32-9.36, 11-13, 22, 24, 25, 27, 29-29B, 106, 108-113 above, and
 - 116.2 paragraphs 9, specifically 9.5, 9.6, 9.12-9.15, 9.17, 9.18, 9.20, 9.26, 9.30, 9.32- 9.36, 11, 14, 40, 106, 108-110, 113A and 113G above;

the logging of the logged Glider coupes, was a contravention of:

- 116.3 s 18(2)(b) of the EPBC Act; and
- 116.4 s 18(4)(b) of the EPBC Act.
- 116A. Alternatively, by reason of the matters in paragraphs 9, 11-134, 30, 40, 106, 108-113A
 113G above, the logging of the logged coupes, was a contravention of:

116A.1 s 18(2)(b) of the EPBC Act; and

116A.2 s 18(4)(b) of the EPBC Act.

Proposed logging is a contravention of the EPBC Act

116BA. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 3-5, 10.1-10.8, 10.11-10.16, 10.18-10.20, 10.22-10.31, 10.32A, 10.34, 11, 13, 14, 14A, 15, 41, 42-70B, 107-109, 111, 113H and 113I above, VicForests' conduct of forestry operations in each of the Scheduled Leadbeater's Possum Coupes will be a contravention of s 18(2)(b) of the EPBC Act.

- 116BB. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 3-5, 10, 11, 14, 14A, 16, 72, 73-104F, 107-109, 111, 113H and 113I above, VicForests' conduct of forestry operations in each of the scheduled coupes will be a contravention of s 18(4)(b) of the EPBC Act.
- 116BC. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 3-5, 10.1-10.8, 10.11-10.16, 10.18-10.20, 10.22-10.31, 10.32A, 10.34, 11, 13, 14, 14A, 15, 41A, 71, 107-109, 111, 113H and 113I above, VicForests' conduct of forestry operations in some or all of the Scheduled Leadbeater's Possum Coupes will be a contravention of s 18(2)(b) of the EPBC Act.
- 116BD. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 3-5, 10, 11, 14, 14A, 16, 72A, 105, 107-109, 111, 113H and 113I above, VicForests' conduct of forestry operations in some or all of the scheduled coupes will be a contravention of s 18(4)(b) of the EPBC Act.
- 116B. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 10, 11, 14, 72-104F, 107-109, 111, 113H and 113I above, the logging of:

116B.1 any of the scheduled coupes; or

116B.2 the scheduled coupes;

will be a contravention of s 18(4)(b) of the EPBC Act.

116C. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 10, 11, 13, 41-70B, 107-109, 111, 113H and 113I above, the logging of:

116C.1 any of the scheduled coupes; or

116C.2 the scheduled coupes;

will be a contravention of s 18(2)(b) of the EPBC Act.

- 117. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 8, 10, 11-13, 41-70, 107-113 above, the proposed logging of each of the relevant coupes, if undertaken, will be a contravention of:
 - 117.1 s 18(2)(b) of the EPBC Act; and
 - 117.2 s 18(4)(b) of the EPBC Act.
- 118. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 8, 10, 11, 14, 72-104, 107-113 above, the proposed logging of each of the relevant coupes, if undertaken, will be a contravention of:

- 118.1 s 18(2)(b) of the EPBC Act; and
- 118.2 s 18(4)(b) of the EPBC Act.
- 119. Alternatively, by reason of the matters in:
 - 119.1 paragraphs 8, 10, 11-13, 71, 107-113;
 - 119.2 paragraphs 8, 10, 11, 14, 105, 107-113;

the proposed logging of the relevant coupes will be a contravention of:

- 119.3 s 18(2)(b) of the EPBC Act; and
- 119.4 s 18(4)(b) of the EPBC Act.

Past and proposed logging is a breach of the EPBC Act

- 119A. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 3-5, 9.12, 9.16 9.21, 9.25-9.26, 9.31-9.32, 9.35-9.40, 10.1-10.8, 10.11-10.16, 10.18-10.20, 10.22-10.31, 10.32A, 10.34, 11-13, 14, 14A, 15, 105A, 105B, 106 113I, VicForests' conduct of forestry operations in some or all of the Logged Leadbeater's Possum Coupes and Scheduled Leadbeater's Possum Coupes will be a contravention of s 18(2)(b) of the EPBC Act.
- 119B. By reason of the matters in paragraphs 3-5, 9.5, 9.6, 9.12-9.15, 9.17-9.18, 9.20, 9.26, 9.30, 9.32-9.36, 9.41 10, 11, 14, 14A, 16, 105C, 105D, 106-113E, 113G-113I, VicForests' conduct of forestry operations in some or all of the Logged Glider Coupes and the scheduled coupes, will be a contravention of s 18 (4)(b) of the EPBC Act.

Claim for relief

- 120. The Applicant claims the following relief:
 - 1. An injunction pursuant to s 475(2) of the EPBC Act restraining the Respondent from:
 - (a) undertaking; or
 - (b) authorising;

any forestry operations in the scheduled coupes in contravention of s 18 of the EPBC Act.

2. An order pursuant to s 475(3) of the EPBC Act that the Respondent set aside an area of forest that is protected from <u>forestry operations</u> logging in order to mitigate the significant impact on the Leadbeater's Possum caused by the Respondent's contraventions of s 18 of the EPBC Act.

3. An order pursuant to s 475(3) of the EPBC Act that the Respondent set aside an area of forest that is protected from <u>forestry operations</u> logging in order to mitigate the significant impact on the Greater Glider caused by the Respondent's contraventions of s 18 of the EPBC Act.

3A. A declaration of right pursuant to s 21 of the *Federal Court of Australia Act 1976*(Cth) that:

- (a) <u>the Respondent has breached s 18(2) of the EPBC Act by reason of its</u> forestry operations in the Logged Leadbeater's Possum Coupes; and
- (b) <u>the Respondent has breached s 18(4) of the EPBC Act by reason of its</u> <u>forestry operations in the Logged Glider Coupes.</u>
- 4. Costs.
- 5. Such further or other relief as the Court considers just.
- 121. The Applicant also claims interlocutory relief.
 - 1. An interim injunction pursuant to s 475(5) of the EPBC Act restraining the Respondent from undertaking or authorising any forestry operations in the scheduled coupes until further order.

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Certificate of lawyer

I Danya Jacobs, certify to the Court that, in relation to the third second further amended statement of claim filed on behalf of the Applicant, the factual and legal material available to me at present provides a proper basis for each allegation in the pleading.

Date: 13 November 2017-29 March 2018 6 September 2018 18 January 2019 29 May 2019

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