Requirements for Performance Information included in Portfolio Budget Statements

Finance Secretary Direction under Subsection 36(3) of the *Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013*

I, Jennifer Elizabeth Wilkinson, Secretary, Department of Finance, issue the following direction under subsection 36(3) of the *Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013* (the PGPA Act).

Dated 21 August 2022

Jennifer Elizabeth Wilkinson Secretary Department of Finance

- 1. This direction commences on the day it is signed until such time as it is superseded or rescinded. This direction supersedes the direction dated 8 December 2021.
- 2. This direction applies to the accountable authorities of Commonwealth entities that prepare, or contribute to, Portfolio Budget Statements published at the time of the annual Commonwealth Budget.
- 3. In addition to the budget estimates provided in accordance with subsection 36(1) of the PGPA Act, a copy of the entity's Portfolio Budget Statements must be provided to the Finance Secretary prior to the introduction of the annual Appropriation Bills. The Portfolio Budget Statements so provided must include the performance information set out at Attachment A.
- 4. This information constitutes information relating to the budget estimates for the entity (36(2)(c) of the PGPA Act refers).
- This direction should be read in conjunction with the guidance material supporting this direction and the Guide to preparing the 2022-23 and subsequent Portfolio Budget Statements.

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An entity must do the following in its Portfolio Budget Statements:

1.	Map outcomes, programs and performance measures to the entity's key activities as expressed in the current corporate plan.
2.	Existing programs For the Budget year and the three forward estimate years, report at least one high level performance measure and planned performance results, including targets where it is reasonably practicable to set a target. Where applicable, report the estimated date of achievement of the program objectives.
3.	New or materially changed programs For the budget year and the three forward estimate years, report all performance measures and planned performance results, including targets where it is reasonably practicable to set a target. Where applicable, report the estimated date of achievement of the program objectives.
4.	Expected performance results for the current year Report expected performance results for the program for the current financial year.
5.	<u>Linked programs</u> For each outcome, report the programs of other entities that link to that outcome.