

**Australian Government** 

### **INVESTOR INFORMATION STATEMENT**

# EXCHANGE-TRADED TREASURY INDEXED BONDS (eTIBs)

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## **SECTION 1: IMPORTANT NOTICES**

#### Purpose of this document

This document (called an **Investor Information Statement**) is an information statement for the purposes of Division 5C of Part 7.9 of the Corporations Act.

This Investor Information Statement contains information in relation to exchange-traded Treasury Indexed Bonds (**eTIBs**). See Section 2 of this Investor Information Statement for a general description and summary of eTIBs.

If you are considering investing in other exchange-traded Australian Government Bonds (for example, exchange-traded Treasury Bonds) you should refer to the Investor Information Statements specific to those bonds.

A financial adviser or other regulated person (as defined in section 1020AH of the Corporations Act) who provides financial product advice (as that term is defined in the Corporations Act) that consists of, or includes, a recommendation that a person who is a retail client (as defined in the Corporations Act) (the **client**) acquire an eTIB must provide a copy of the current version of this Investor Information Statement and the Term Sheet for the relevant Treasury Indexed Bond to which the eTIB relates (as outlined in Sections 2 and 4 of this Investor Information Statement) to the client before, or at the time of, giving the advice.

This Investor Information Statement has been prepared by the Australian Office of Financial Management (**AOFM**). The AOFM is not licensed in Australia to provide financial product advice in relation to eTIBs. An investor in eTIBs will not have cooling off rights.

The current version of this Investor Information Statement and Term Sheets for Treasury Indexed Bonds can be obtained from the Australian Government Bonds Website (<u>www.australiangovernmentbonds.gov.au</u>).

#### **Definitions and interpretation**

Some words and expressions in this Investor Information Statement are capitalised as they have defined meanings. Section 6 of this Investor Information Statement contains the definitions of capitalised words and expressions, as well as some general rules for interpreting this Investor Information Statement.

### **Currency of information**

The information in this Investor Information Statement is correct as at the date of the cover page.

The distribution of this Investor Information Statement or any offer or issue of eTIBs after that date does not imply that there has been no change since that date in the affairs or financial condition of the Australian Government or any other person or entity or that the information is correct at any time after that date.

This Investor Information Statement may be withdrawn, supplemented, modified or replaced at any time.

#### No investment advice

This Investor Information Statement does not provide financial product or investment advice and does not take into account your investment objectives, financial situation or particular needs (including your financial position, taxation position or risk appetite).

Section 3 of this Investor Information Statement contains an overview of some of the key risks of an investment in eTIBs but is not intended as a complete statement of all risks that may be associated with your investment. You should seek your own professional advice on such matters from a licensed financial adviser or other professional adviser.

#### Other relevant documents

Each series of Treasury Indexed Bonds will have a Term Sheet. The Term Sheet sets out certain details for those Treasury Indexed Bonds (such as the Coupon Interest Rate, Coupon Interest Payment Dates and Maturity Date) which will be relevant to the payments on the corresponding eTIBs.

You should carefully read this Investor Information Statement and the Term Sheet for the relevant underlying series of Treasury Indexed Bonds in full in order to make an informed decision whether to invest in eTIBs.

Further information about Treasury Indexed Bonds (including the terms and conditions of Treasury Indexed Bonds) is set out in the Information Memorandum for the underlying Treasury Indexed Bonds.

The Term Sheet for each series of Treasury Indexed Bonds, the Information Memorandum and other relevant information is available through the <u>Australian Government Bonds Website</u>.

### **Authorised material**

Only the following material may be relied on as having been authorised by or on behalf of the Australian Government:

- information in this Investor Information Statement, the Information Memorandum and the Term Sheet for the relevant eTIBs available through the <u>Australian Government Bonds</u> <u>Website</u>; and
- any other material authorised in writing by the Australian Government.

#### **Use of Investor Information Statement**

This Investor Information Statement is intended for use only in connection with the offer of eTIBs in Australia and must not be sent to any person outside Australia in any jurisdiction in circumstances in which the offer of eTIBs or use of this Investor Information Statement would be unlawful.

#### Sanctions

Under Australian law, the approval or authorisation of the Minister for Foreign Affairs (the **Minister**) is required for certain transactions involving dealings with assets in connection with persons or entities linked to terrorist activities or certain proscribed countries under the *Charter of the United Nations Act 1945*, the *Charter of the United Nations (Dealing with Assets) Regulations* 2008 and similar approvals and authorisations under other applicable Acts and regulations (such as those in respect of sanctions against specific countries).

*The Autonomous Sanctions Regulations 2011* made under the *Autonomous Sanctions Act 2011* regulates certain payments, transactions and other dealings having a prescribed connection with designated countries, persons, entities or assets. Among other things, these regulations generally prohibit dealings with certain "designated persons or entities" by directly or indirectly making assets (including securities) available to or for their benefit without a permit.

Further, the *Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorism Financing Act 2006* states that regulations implemented under that Act may prohibit the entering into of transactions with residents of prescribed foreign countries.

To be entitled to apply for eTIBs and to receive payments under eTIBs you must not be a prohibited person under the laws referred to above.

### Transfers

eTIBs must only be sold or otherwise disposed of to another person in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations.

### Privacy

The AOFM and the Registrar collect and hold personal information about eTIB Holders for the purposes of administering eTIBs. Holders may request access to any personal information held about them by contacting the Registrar. The release of information and the correction of any personal information held in the register is conducted in accordance with the Privacy Policy of Computershare.

#### Third party material

The Australian Government does not accept responsibility for the contents of any website or document referred to in this Investor Information Statement which is maintained or published by any person other than the Australian Government. The information contained in those sources may not be up to date or correct.

#### eTIBs are not guaranteed and you can lose money

The Australian Government does not guarantee the performance of eTIBs, any underlying Treasury Indexed Bonds or any intermediary or other counterparty involved in connection with eTIBs and will not compensate investors for investment losses.

Prices of eTIBs will fluctuate. If you purchase an eTIB for a price greater than its Nominal Value entitlement, sell it prior to its Maturity Date, or there is a decline in the Consumer Price Index (CPI), it is possible for capital losses to be realised.

See Section 3 of this Investor Information Statement for discussion of some of the risks of investing in eTIBs.

### **SECTION 2: ABOUT eTIBs**

#### What are eTIBs?

eTIBs offer an accessible way to invest in Treasury Indexed Bonds.

Treasury Indexed Bonds are medium to long-term securities issued by the Australian Government. The capital value of Treasury Indexed Bonds is adjusted for movements in the CPI. Interest payments (referred to as Coupon Interest Payments) are made every 3 months at a fixed rate of interest (referred to as the Coupon Interest Rate) on the Nominal Value of the bond, being the capital value of the Treasury Indexed Bond as adjusted for movement in the CPI over the life of the Treasury Indexed Bond. On the Maturity Date, the last Coupon Interest Payment and the Maturity Payment of the Treasury Indexed Bond are paid to the holder of the Treasury Indexed Bond by the Australian Government.

Treasury Indexed Bonds are not traded on an exchange and are typically issued only to institutional and other large investors as they are traded in large parcels. However, eTIBs are electronically traded and settled through the Australian Securities Exchange (**ASX**) in small or large parcels and therefore are accessible to a wider range of investors. The Clearing House Electronic Sub register System (CHESS) is an ASX computer system that manages the settlement of transactions executed on the ASX.

An eTIB works as follows:

- An eTIB Holder will have a beneficial interest in Treasury Indexed Bonds in the form of CHESS Depositary Interests (**CDIs**). A CDI is a financial product which is a unit of beneficial ownership in the underlying security or financial product to which it relates. eTIBs are a type of CDI granted over government bonds (in this case, Treasury Indexed Bonds). Further information about CDIs generally can be obtained on the ASX website at <u>www.asx.com.au/content/dam/</u> <u>asx/participants/cash-market/bonds/chess-depositary-interests.pdf</u>.
- An eTIB Holder accordingly obtains an interest in the economic benefits (including Coupon Interest Payments and Maturity Payments) attached to the Treasury Indexed Bonds over which the CDIs have been issued.
- A one unit holding of an eTIB provides beneficial ownership of \$100 Face Value of the Treasury Indexed Bond over which it has been issued.

A list of eTIBs can be viewed on the <u>Australian Government Bonds Website</u>. If you are interested in investing in eTIBs, you should contact your financial adviser or broker.

### Summary of eTIBs

The following is a summary of certain key characteristics of eTIBs. This summary should be read together with the remainder of this Investor Information Statement and the Term Sheet for the relevant underlying Treasury Indexed Bonds.

Description	A unit of beneficial ownership in an underlying Treasury Indexed Bond. Legal ownership of the underlying Treasury Indexed Bond is held by Austraclear. An eTIB is a separate financial product to the underlying Treasury Indexed Bond and does not give you legal ownership of a Treasury Indexed Bond or an entitlement to claim against the Australian Government or any asset of the Australian Government.
Holding and transaction confirmations	All eTIBs must be held in a CHESS Account of a sponsoring broker. Your CHESS Account has a Holder Identification Number (HIN). It is not possible to hold eTIBs as an issuer sponsored holding. When you buy or sell an eTIB during a month, you will receive a CHESS Holding Statement indicating the holding balance for that particular eTIB at the end of the month. You will also receive a CHESS Holding Statement following the maturity of any eTIB that was held.
Trading and settlement	<ul> <li>eTIBs are traded and settled on ASX and are subject to the ASX Operating Rules, trading hours and conventions.</li> <li>Quotation of eTIBs on ASX ceases 5 Business Days before the final Record Date for the eTIB, at which point the holder of the eTIB is no longer able to trade the eTIB on ASX (and the holder must then hold the eTIB until maturity). For upcoming maturities and cessation of quotation dates, please see ASX's list of upcoming important dates for exchange-traded Australian Government Bonds (available at www.asx.com.au/investors/learn-about-our-investment-solutions/bonds/bonds-analysis).</li> <li>Investors should contact their financial adviser or broker to buy or sell eTIBs. Brokerage charges may be incurred.</li> <li>eTIBs must only be sold or otherwise disposed of to another person in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations.</li> </ul>

Face Value and Nominal Value	The Face Value is the principal or capital value of an underlying Treasury Indexed Bond, unadjusted for changes in the CPI. The Face Value remains fixed for the life of the Treasury Indexed Bond. The Nominal Value is the capital value of an underlying Treasury Indexed Bond adjusted for changes in the CPI. With inflation (a rise in the CPI), the Nominal Value increases. With deflation (a decline in the CPI), the Nominal Value decreases. Coupon Interest Payments are calculated based on the Nominal Value (as impacted by the "floor" described in "Extent of impact of CPI changes on payments received in respect of Treasury Indexed Bonds" in Section 4 of this Investor Information Statement). A one unit holding of an eTIB provides beneficial ownership of \$100 Face Value of the underlying Treasury Indexed Bond over which it has been issued.
Coupon Interest Rate	The Coupon Interest Rate on an underlying Treasury Indexed Bond is set when the bond is first issued by the Australian Government and remains fixed for the life of the bond. Instalments of interest paid on Treasury Indexed Bonds are called Coupon Interest Payments. The Coupon Interest Rate is different to the real yield to maturity of a bond. The real yield to maturity of a bond is the rate of return on a bond above the rate of inflation (expressed as an annual rate) if purchased at the current market price and held until the Maturity Date – see further "Real yield to maturity" below.

Coupon Interest Payments	Coupon Interest Payments on Treasury Indexed Bonds are paid every 3 months on their Nominal Value (as impacted by the "floor" described in "Extent of impact of CPI changes on payments received in respect of Treasury Indexed Bonds" in Section 4 of this Investor Information Statement) at a fixed Coupon Interest Rate. If the Coupon Interest Payment Date is not a Business Day, the payment will be made on the next Business Day. Payment of Coupon Interest Payment entitlements of eTIB Holders will be administered by the Registrar. An eTIB Holder is not entitled to additional interest for payment after the relevant Coupon Interest Payment Date.
	The Australian Government's preferred method of payment to all investors is by direct credit into an Australian dollar bank account with a financial institution in Australia. Australian, United States, Great Britain, New Zealand and Canadian resident investors must nominate a valid Australian bank account; otherwise payments will be withheld until such time as a valid bank account is nominated. Payments to investors that reside outside the above-mentioned jurisdictions will be made by paper cheque where a valid bank account has not been nominated. Investors are required to supply their payment instructions no later than the Record Date in order to receive their payment.
Real yield to maturity	The real yield to maturity is the rate of return on a Treasury Indexed Bond above the rate of inflation if the bond is purchased at the current market price and held until its maturity date, with all Coupon Interest Payments reinvested at the same real yield. Further information on yields to maturity for eTIBs is available through the ASX Australian Government Bonds course (available at <u>https://www.asx.com.au/investors/investment- tools-and-resources/online-courses/australian-government- bonds-course</u> ).

Maturity Payment and Maturity Date	The Maturity Payment of an underlying Treasury Indexed Bond is equal to the Nominal Value of the bond on the Maturity Date, subject to any reduction in respect of previous use(s) of the floor to calculate Coupon Interest Payment(s) (as described in "Extent of impact of CPI changes on payments received in respect of Treasury Indexed Bonds" in Section 4 of this Investor Information Statement).
	As described in "Maturity Payment" in Section 4 of this Investor Information Statement, in all cases the Maturity Payment of an underlying Treasury Indexed Bond will be no less than the Face Value of the bond.
	The Maturity Payment of an underlying Treasury Indexed Bond is payable on the Maturity Date. An eTIB Holder has no right to require early payment of all or any part of the Maturity Payment prior to the Maturity Date. If the Maturity Date is not a Business Day, the Maturity Payment will be paid on the next Business Day.
	Payment of Maturity Payment entitlements of eTIB Holders will be administered by the Registrar. An eTIB Holder is not entitled to additional interest or other amounts for payment after the relevant Maturity Date.
Use of proceeds	The Australian Government receives the proceeds of the issue of underlying Treasury Indexed Bonds and may use these proceeds for any purpose of the Australian Government.
	If you acquire an eTIB, you acquire a beneficial interest in a Treasury Indexed Bond and your upfront payment will be used to acquire that beneficial interest.
Terms and conditions	See Section 4 of this Investor Information Statement for a summary of the material terms and conditions relating to eTIBs.

### SECTION 3: BENEFITS AND RISKS OF INVESTING IN eTIBs

Before investing in eTIBs, you should consider whether they are a suitable investment for you. This should include consideration of benefits and risks.

This section lists some of the potential benefits and risks of an investment in eTIBs. It is not a complete statement of all the potential benefits and risks. Risks will vary between investors.

You should obtain your own professional advice as to whether eTIBs are a suitable investment for you considering your own investment objectives, financial situation, risk appetite and needs.

#### Benefits of investing in eTIBs

Some of the benefits associated with investing in eTIBs are:

Regular income	An interest in quarterly Coupon Interest Payments made by the Australian Government.
Increase in the Nominal Value and Coupon Interest Payment if CPI increases	If the CPI increases over the relevant 2 quarter period, the Nominal Value used in calculating Coupon Interest Payments and the Maturity Payment for the underlying Treasury Indexed Bond also increases.
	In general:
	<ul> <li>if CPI has increased overall over the life of the Treasury Indexed Bond, the Maturity Payment will be greater than the Face Value</li> <li>Coupon Interest Payments increase as the level of CPI increases.</li> </ul>
	However, in each case, this increase in amounts payable to you is subject to adjustment in accordance with "Extent of impact of CPI changes on payments received in respect of Treasury Indexed Bonds" in Section 4 of this Investor Information Statement.
Liquidity	eTIBs can be sold at the market price at any time the ASX market is open (if there are buyers) until 5 Business Days before the final Record Date (at which point the eTIB Holder is no longer able to trade the security on ASX). See further "Trading and settlement" in Section 2 of this Investor Information Statement.
Diversification	eTIBs provide an opportunity to diversify an investment portfolio.

### Risks of investing in eTIBs

There are risks associated with investing in eTIBs. Some of these risks are:

You may realise capital losses	The market price of eTIBs will vary over time in response to a variety of influences, particularly in response to changes in interest rates and the CPI. In general, if interest rates increase, the price of an eTIB is likely to fall. Conversely, if interest rates fall the price of an eTIB is likely to increase. If eTIBs are purchased for a price greater than their Nominal Value entitlement, sold prior to their Maturity Date or there is a decline in the CPI it is possible for capital losses to be realised. See also "Deflation may reduce amounts payable to you" below.
Deflation may reduce amounts payable to you	If there is deflation (a decrease in the CPI) over a 2 quarter period, the Nominal Value used in calculating Coupon Interest Payments and the Maturity Payment of the Treasury Indexed Bond will decrease.
	Reductions in payments are limited due to the floor on Coupon Interest Payments discussed in "Extent of impact of CPI changes on payments received in respect of Treasury Indexed Bonds" in Section 4 of this Investor Information Statement.
	In all cases, the Maturity Payment for an underlying Treasury Indexed Bond will be no less than the Face Value irrespective of movements in the CPI over the life of the bond.

You may not receive the inflationary benefits you expect in all circumstances	If the CPI increases over a 2 quarter period, the Nominal Value used to calculate Coupon Interest Payments over that period also generally increases. However, it is possible for subsequent Coupon Interest Payments to be decreased, either because a subsequent deflationary period results in a reduction in the Nominal Value used to calculate Coupon Interest Payments, or because during a previous deflationary period the floor has applied.
	In particular:
	<ul> <li>you should not assume that because increased Coupon Interest Payments have been paid as a result of inflation, similarly increased Coupon Interest Payments will continue to be paid in the future. Future Coupon Interest Payments are dependent on changes in the Nominal Value due to movements in the CPI and there is no guarantee that the CPI will increase (and will not decrease) in the future</li> <li>if a Coupon Interest Payment which is calculated with reference to the floor on Coupon Interest Payments has been paid, subsequent Coupon Interest Payments may be reduced (regardless of whether you held the eTIB at the time the floor was applied). For more information on the floor and reduction in Coupon Interest Payments, see further "Extent of impact of CPI changes on payments received in respect of Treasury Indexed Bonds" in Section 4 of this Investor Information Statement. Accordingly, you may not receive the benefit you expect to receive during a period of inflation, if this period follows a period of deflation in which the floor was relied upon.</li> </ul>
There is no guarantee you will be able to sell your eTIBs if you need to	While eTIBs are capable of being traded on ASX when the market is open (subject to quotation ceasing 5 Business Days before the final Record Date - see further "Trading and settlement" in Section 2 of this Investor Information Statement), your ability to sell your eTIBs at your desired price will depend on there being buyers willing to pay that price. Accordingly, it may not be possible for you to sell your eTIBs as and when you need to and for your desired price. The Australian Government has no obligation to offer to purchase eTIBs on the market or otherwise.

You cannot require your eTIBs to be repaid early	eTIBs are fixed term investments. If you wish to exit from your investment before the Maturity Date you may seek to sell your eTIBs on the ASX market (subject to quotation ceasing 5 Business Days before the final Record Date - see further "Trading and settlement" in Section 2 of this Investor Information Statement). However, you have no right under the terms of the eTIBs to require repayment of your eTIBs before the Maturity Date. This is the case even if, for some reason, you do not receive scheduled Coupon Interest Payments on your eTIBs on time. You should not see eTIBs as an alternative to or substitute for a deposit product.
The Australian Government may convert holdings of eTIBs to the underlying Treasury Indexed Bonds	The Australian Government may at any time, subject to a minimum period of 3 months' notice, convert holdings of eTIBs to the underlying Treasury Indexed Bonds directly registered in the Commonwealth Stock Register. If this occurred, investors would continue to receive the same Coupon Interest Payments and Nominal Value amounts they were entitled to with the eTIBs but would not be able to sell their investment on ASX. For example, the Australian Government could decide to convert holdings of eTIBs to the underlying Treasury Indexed Bonds if the agreement between the Australian Government and ASX for the trading of Australian Government Bonds on ASX were terminated.

The Australian economy and the financial position of the Australian Government may be affected by a wide variety of factors that could influence the price or performance of eTIBs Australia has an advanced and sophisticated economy that is influenced by both domestic and international circumstances, including prevailing market, trade and geopolitical conditions.

The revenues and financial position of the Australian Government are interconnected with the performance of the Australian economy generally and could be influenced by numerous domestic and international factors including taxation or other revenue receipts, the level of government expenditure, employment levels, interest rates, inflation, exchange rates and currency fluctuations, housing markets, the performance of key areas of industry or commerce, environmental conditions, natural disasters, climate change, diseases and pandemic, civil or military unrest or conflict, terrorism, domestic or international political or regulatory changes, obligations under treaties and international agreements and various other factors many of which cannot be predicted. It is also not possible to predict what particular effects any such factors will have (if any) on the overall condition of the Australian economy or the position of the Australian Government.

See also "The effects of climate change may influence the price or performance of eTIBs" below for a discussion of specific climate change and environmental risks.

It is extremely unlikely that the Australian Government would be unable to make payments on the underlying Treasury Indexed Bonds. However, a material change in the financial position of the Australian Government could affect:

- the price that potential purchasers of eTIBs are willing to pay
- the number of potential purchasers willing to buy eTIBs.

This could affect your ability to sell your eTIBs when you want to and at the price you require.

For information about the Australian Government's financial position, projections and forecasts see the paragraph "Where to find further information about the Australian Government's financial position" in Section 5 of this Investor Information Statement.

The effects of climate change may influence the price or performance of eTIBs	Climate change is a systemic risk that presents significant risks for Australia's economy, regions, industries and communities. Climate change is expected to have a range of physical impacts on Australia and the world, including but not limited to extreme weather events (such as drought conditions, heat waves, bushfires and severe floods) occurring with increased frequency, increasing weather volatility, longer-term changes in climatic conditions, biodiversity loss and ecosystem degradation. There remains uncertainty as to the extent and consequences of these physical impacts on Australia and the world. The full impact of these events can be widespread and may not be immediately apparent.
	In addition, the global transition to net zero emissions will:
	<ul> <li>require significant investment by governments and the private sector</li> </ul>
	• result in other changes, such as to industries and jobs, including to adopt low-emission technologies.
	These transition risks are likely to impact the structure of the economy and, in turn, the tax base.
	The physical and transition consequences of climate change are very likely to have fiscal impacts and may, in turn, impact the value of, or the number of potential purchasers for, eTIBs. Uncertainty around the magnitude and timing of the physical impacts of climate change and the global transition to net zero emissions translates to uncertainty about the timing, nature and scale of these fiscal impacts.
	However, it is expected that the fiscal impacts may include (among other things):
	<ul> <li>increased demand for disaster relief payments and infrastructure repairs</li> <li>changes in property and asset values</li> <li>interruptions or other changes in business operations, supply chains or market access.</li> </ul>
Changes of law, regulation and policy may affect eTIBs	Changes to laws, regulations and policies could directly or indirectly impact eTIBs (including as to their taxation treatment) or their value or liquidity in the secondary market. The Australian Government is not bound to consider the interests of eTIB Holders in connection with any actual or proposed change of law, regulation, policy, intention or opinion.

Counterparties may not perform their obligations	An eTIB does not give you legal ownership of a Treasury Indexed Bond or a direct right against the Australian Government to receive payments.
	Your receipt of payments, as well as communications and other matters relating to your holding of eTIBs, will depend, among other things, on the performance of other entities through which payments, communications and other actions in connection with the underlying Treasury Indexed Bonds and eTIBs are held, made or administered (such as the Austraclear System, the Depositary Nominee and the Registrar of the eTIBs).
	If any of these entities failed to comply with their obligations in connection with the eTIBs (for any reason, such as due to insolvency or systems, technology, administrative or operational failures) you may not receive payments on your eTIB, there may be delays in receiving those payments or other adverse consequences may arise.
	The Australian Government does not guarantee the performance by any person in connection with Treasury Indexed Bonds or eTIBs.

## **SECTION 4: TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

Before investing, you should review and become familiar with the following:

- the terms and conditions applying to the eTIBs. These terms and conditions and a summary
  of the material terms of the underlying Treasury Indexed Bonds are set out below. Full terms
  and conditions of the underlying Treasury Indexed Bonds are contained in the Information
  Memorandum available through the <u>Australian Government Bonds Website</u>; and
- the key commercial terms (for example the Coupon Interest Rate, Coupon Interest Payment Dates and Maturity Date) for the specific series of Treasury Indexed Bonds underlying the eTIBs you are planning to invest in, which are detailed in the Term Sheet for the Treasury Indexed Bonds available on the <u>Australian Government Bonds Website</u>.

The terms and conditions of this Investor Information Statement will be taken to modify the terms and conditions applying to the underlying series of Treasury Indexed Bonds that are the subject of an eTIB to the extent that any term or condition contained in this Investor Information Statement is inconsistent with the terms and conditions applying to those Treasury Indexed Bonds.

Security type	A CHESS Depositary Interest. A one unit holding of an eTIB provides beneficial ownership of \$100 Face Value of the Treasury Indexed Bond over which it has been issued.
Depositary Nominee	CHESS Depositary Nominees Pty Ltd (ABN 75 071 346 506) has been appointed the Depositary Nominee and holds an interest in the Treasury Indexed Bonds over which eTIBs have been issued through the Austraclear System.
Registrar	Computershare
Currency	Australian dollars
Minimum investment amount	One unit. Holdings of eTIBs may only be in whole units.
Coupon Interest Rate, Coupon Interest Payment Dates and Maturity Date	The Coupon Interest Rate, Coupon Interest Payment Dates and Maturity Date are those applicable to the specific series of Treasury Indexed Bonds over which the eTIB has been issued. Term Sheets containing these details for each specific series of Treasury Indexed Bonds can be downloaded at the <u>Australian</u> <u>Government Bonds Website</u> .

Coupon Interest Payments	Coupon Interest Payments on Treasury Indexed Bonds are paid on their Nominal Value at a fixed Coupon Interest Rate. Coupon Interest Payments are subject to the floor on those payments explained in "Extent of impact of CPI changes on payments received in respect of Treasury Indexed Bonds" below.
	Coupon Interest Payments are made on Treasury Indexed Bonds quarterly at a quarter of the annual Coupon Interest Rate in arrears on each Coupon Interest Payment Date up to and including the Maturity Date.
	If the Coupon Interest Payment Date is not a Business Day, the payment will be made on the next Business Day without payment of additional interest.
	Coupon Interest Payments will be for a full quarter in an amount determined as described below even if the relevant interest period is less than one calendar quarter. Coupon interest will cease to accrue on Treasury Indexed Bonds from the Maturity Date.
	Coupon Interest Payments for Treasury Indexed Bonds are calculated on the basis of the following formula (assuming, for illustration, that the Face Value of the underlying Treasury Indexed Bond is \$100):
	$g \times \frac{K_t}{100}$
	where:
	$m{g}$ = the fixed quarterly rate payable (equal to the Coupon Interest Rate divided by 4).
	$K_t$ = Nominal Value at the Coupon Interest Payment Date
	$K_t = K_{t-1} \left[ 1 + \frac{p}{100} \right]$
	where:
	$K_{t-1}$ = Nominal Value at the previous Coupon Interest Payment Date.
	$K_t$ = is equal to \$100 at the date one quarter before the date on which the first Coupon Interest Payment is payable on the Treasury Indexed Bond.
	$K_t$ and $K_{t-1}$ are rounded to 2 decimal places.

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p = half the semi-annual change in the CPI ending in the quarter which is 2 quarters prior to that in which the Coupon Interest Payment falls (for example, if the interest payment is in November, is based on the movement in the CPI over the 2 quarters ended in the preceding June quarter).

 $p = \frac{100}{2} \left[ \frac{CPI_t}{CPI_{t-2}} - 1 \right]$  rounded to 2 decimal places, where:

**CPI**<sub>t</sub> is the CPI for the second quarter of the relevant 2 quarter period.

 $CPI_{t-2}$  is the CPI for the quarter immediately prior to the relevant 2 quarter period.

Coupon Interest Payments will be rounded to the nearest cent (0.5 cent being rounded up).

Example: With the level of the CPI at the beginning and end of the relevant 2 quarter period being 110 and 112 respectively (that is, = 0.91), a fixed annual Coupon Interest Rate of 4.00% and defined in this example as 100, the Coupon Interest Payment would be calculated as follows:

$$1.00 \times \frac{100.91}{100} =$$
\$1.01 where:  $100.91 = K_t = 100 \left[ 1 + \frac{0.91}{100} \right]$ 

If the change in the CPI for any relevant 2 quarter period is negative, the Nominal Value will be adjusted downwards and the Coupon Interest Payment will be paid on this reduced amount. However, no quarterly Coupon Interest Payment will be based on a Nominal Value of less than \$100.

If the Nominal Value falls below \$100, the Coupon Interest Payment will be made on \$100, i.e. an amount of  $g \times \frac{100}{100} = g$ . See further "Extent of impact of CPI changes on payments received in respect of Treasury Indexed Bonds" below.

The first Coupon Interest Payment will be for a full quarterly period.

For upcoming Coupon Interest Payment Dates, please see ASX's list of upcoming important dates for exchange-traded Treasury Indexed Bonds (available at <u>www.asx.com.au/investors/learn-about-our-investment-solutions/bonds/bonds-analysis</u>).

Maturity Payment	The Maturity Payment of an underlying Treasury Indexed Bond is equal to the Nominal Value of the bond on the Maturity Date, subject to any reduction in respect of previous use(s) of the floor to calculate Coupon Interest Payment(s) (as described in "Extent of impact of CPI changes on payments received in respect of Treasury Indexed Bonds" below).
	In all cases, the Maturity Payment of the underlying Treasury Indexed Bond will be no less than the Face Value of the bond, irrespective of movements in the CPI over the life of the bond.
	If the Nominal Value is below the Face Value or a reduction in the Maturity Payment due to previous use(s) of the floor would otherwise cause the Maturity Payment to fall below the Face Value, the Maturity Payment will be the Face Value.
Consumer Price Index (CPI)	The CPI to be used for the purpose of this Investor Information Statement is the "All groups CPI: Weighted average of 8 capital cities" as maintained and published quarterly by the Australian Bureau of Statistics ( <b>ABS</b> ).
	If, for any reason, the CPI is not published for any quarter for which it is relevant for the purposes of this Investor Information Statement, or if publication is delayed until after the date on which a Coupon Interest Payment is determined, the CPI published for the previous quarter will apply in the interim. On subsequent publication of the actual CPI figure for that quarter by the ABS, adjustment to the Nominal Value and/or Coupon Interest Payment will be made.
	If the ABS were to cease to publish the CPI and were to publish another index that it stated to be in replacement of the CPI, then that index will be used for the purposes of this Investor Information Statement and all references to the CPI are to be interpreted accordingly.
	If the ABS were to cease to publish the CPI without publishing a replacement index, or if any change were to be made to the coverage, periodicity, or basic calculation of the CPI which, in the opinion of the Treasurer, constituted a change in the CPI that would be materially detrimental to the interests of holders of Treasury Indexed Bonds, the AOFM would notify eTIB Holders (as described in "Communications" below).

	Unless other arrangements are agreed by the AOFM following the notice referred to above, the quarterly adjustments to the Nominal Value and Coupon Interest Payments applying to Treasury Indexed Bonds would be calculated according to an index to be announced by the Treasurer which, for the purposes of this Investor Information Statement, would be deemed to be a replacement for the CPI.
	If the reference base of the CPI is changed after Treasury Indexed Bonds are issued, $p$ and $K_t$ values already published will remain unchanged. The index that will be used for the calculation of subsequent $p$ and $K_t$ values will be the CPI numbers expressed on the new base as published by the ABS.
	If a relevant CPI number is revised after the Coupon Interest Payment is made on a particular Coupon Interest Payment Date, a subsequent adjustment will be made to the Nominal Value and/or Coupon Interest Payment to take account of any discrepancy.
	Further information about the CPI is available on the ABS website ( <u>www.abs.gov.au</u> ).
Coupon Interest Payment entitlements and ex-interest settlement dates	eTIB Holders registered at the Record Date (the close of business 8 calendar days prior to the Coupon Interest Payment Date) will be entitled to the next Coupon Interest Payment. If this day is not a Business Day, the preceding Business Day is the Record Date.
	The ex-interest settlement period for eTIBs is the period after the Record Date up to and including the next Coupon Interest Payment Date. Buyers of eTIBs in transactions settled during the ex-interest settlement period are not entitled to the next Coupon Interest Payment.
	Example 1: The 2.00% 21 August 2035 Treasury Indexed Bond makes a Coupon Interest Payment on Thursday, 21 August 2025. The Record Date for this Coupon Interest Payment is Wednesday, 13 August 2025.
	Example 2: The 2.50% 20 September 2030 Treasury Indexed Bond makes a Coupon Interest Payment on Monday, 20 September 2027. The Record Date for this Coupon Interest Payment is Friday, 10 September 2027. This is 10 calendar days prior to the Coupon Interest Payment Date since the date 8 calendar days prior to the Coupon Interest Payment Date falls on a weekend.

Extent of impact of CPI changes on payments received in respect of Treasury Indexed Bonds	While (as explained elsewhere in this Investor Information Statement) changes in the CPI impact the: • Nominal Value of the Treasury Indexed Bond, because this is adjusted in response to changes in the CPI • Coupon Interest Payments and the Maturity Payment of the Treasury Indexed Bond, because these are calculated with reference to the Nominal Value the extent of this impact is limited by the "floor" on Coupon Interest Payments set out below. <i>Coupon Interest Payment floor</i> No Coupon Interest Payment for a Treasury Indexed Bond will be based on a Nominal Value that is less than the Face Value of the bond. If the Nominal Value of the Treasury Indexed Bond falls below the Face Value, the Coupon Interest Payment will be paid as if the Nominal Value of the bond were the Face Value. In the event that this floor is used in any Coupon Interest Payment calculation, subsequent Coupon Interest Payments and/or the Maturity Payment in respect of that Treasury Indexed Bond will be reduced by the amount which is: • the Coupon Interest Payment that was made (i.e. ), minus • the Coupon Interest Payment that would have been made if the floor had not been used to calculate the Coupon Interest Payment that would have been made if the floor had not been used to calculate the Coupon Interest Payment (i.e. $g \times \frac{K_{t}}{100}$ )
	that would itself cause a Coupon Interest Payment to fall below the floor, in which case subsequent Coupon Interest Payments and/or the Maturity Payment will also be reduced. However, as described in "Maturity Payment" above, in all cases the Maturity Payment will be no less than the Face Value of the Treasury Indexed Bond.
Title and transfer	Subject to the ASX Settlement Operating Rules (available at <u>www.asx.</u> <u>com.au/about/regulation/rules-guidance-notes-and-waivers/</u> <u>asx-settlement-operating-rules-guidance-notes-and-waivers</u> ). All transfers including off market transfers must be processed through an ASX Settlement Participant.
Fees	Coupon Interest Payments and repayments on the Maturity Date will be made free of any fees, charges, deductions or levies of the Australian Government, except to the extent required by law.

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Conversion and Exchange Change	<ul> <li>Only designated market makers appointed by ASX or the Australian Government may apply for Treasury Indexed Bonds lodged in the Austraclear System to be converted to eTIBs and for eTIBs to be converted to Treasury Indexed Bonds in the Austraclear System. The Australian Government may at any time:</li> <li>a. convert holdings of eTIBs to the underlying Treasury Indexed Bonds directly registered in the Commonwealth Stock Register and make any arrangements it considers appropriate to make or allow that conversion to occur (Conversion)</li> <li>b. make arrangements to allow for interests in Treasury Indexed Bonds equivalent to eTIBs to be traded on an exchange other than ASX in addition to or in place of ASX (Exchange Change).</li> <li>A Conversion or Exchange Change will take place on a date set by the Australian Government. The date will be at least 3 months after notice of the Conversion or Exchange Change Change is sent to eTIB Holders.</li> <li>Each eTIB Holder, for valuable consideration, irrevocably appoints each of AOFM and its officers (each an Authorised Person) severally to be the attorney of the eTIB Holder and the agent of the eTIB Holder to sign all documents and transfers, give all instructions to any person and do any other thing as may in the Authorised Person's opinion be necessary or desirable to be done in order to effect a Conversion</li> </ul>
	or Exchange Change and may delegate its power and authority to any other person appointed by it in writing.
Early repayment and purchase by Australian Government	The Australian Government does not have the right to repay eTIBs or Treasury Indexed Bonds over which eTIBs have been issued before the Maturity Date of the Treasury Indexed Bonds. However, the Australian Government may at any time offer to purchase eTIBs from holders. Any eTIBs purchased by the Australian Government may be held, resold or cancelled.
Payments	Coupon Interest Payments and Maturity Payments in respect of Treasury Indexed Bonds that are the subject of eTIBs will be made by or on behalf of the Australian Government to eTIB Holders.

	The Australian Government's preferred method of payment to all investors is by direct credit into an Australian dollar bank account with a financial institution in Australia. Australian, United States, Great Britain, New Zealand and Canadian resident investors must nominate a valid Australian bank account; otherwise payments will be withheld until such time as a valid bank account is nominated. Payments to investors that reside outside the above-mentioned jurisdictions will be made by paper cheque where a valid bank account has not been nominated. Investors are required to supply their payment instructions no later than the Record Date in order to receive their payment. If any date for payment is not a Business Day, payment will be postponed to the first following Business Day. No additional interest is payable in respect of any delay in payment.
Participation rights	No meetings of eTIB Holders are required for any purpose. eTIB Holders do not have any rights to consent to matters relating to Treasury Indexed Bonds.
Governing law	eTIBs are subject to the law in force in New South Wales. Treasury Indexed Bonds over which eTIBs have been issued are subject to the law in force in the Australian Capital Territory.
Modifications	The terms of eTIBs and the underlying Treasury Indexed Bonds may be modified without the consent of eTIB Holders as described in Section 5 of this Investor Information Statement.
Communications	Notices by the Australian Government in respect of eTIBs may be given by such means as the Australian Government decides (which may include being given electronically or being sent in the post). Accordingly, the Australian Government can choose how it will communicate with you regarding your eTIBs and may communicate with different eTIB Holders using different methods.
	The Australian Government intends to generally provide communications electronically via Computershare's Investor Centre (and to notify you by email when a new communication is available in the Investor Centre) but may decide to provide communications to certain investors via post or other means.
	The <u>Australian Government Bonds Website</u> may provide updates from time to time on how the Australian Government intends to communicate with you (or particular types of eTIB Holders).
	See "Who to contact about my eTIB holdings" below for further details on how to change your contact details.

Who to contact about my eTIB holdings	In the first instance you should contact your financial adviser or broker.
	Computershare has been engaged to maintain the Register of eTIB Holders and provide services to investors in relation to their holdings, including lodging queries and disputes.
	Changes to your registration details (such as payment instructions and change of address) for your investment holdings in eTIBs must be made through Computershare's Investor Centre. Investor Centre is an online portal that empowers investors to securely access, enquire and update their accounts. Investor Centre is available at <u>www.computershare.com/investorcentre</u> .
	Alternatively, you may make changes to your registration details via your CHESS sponsoring broker. The Registrar can be contacted at:
	Telephone +61 3 9415 4026 1800 674 428 (within Australia)
	Email <u>austgovtbonds@computershare.com.au</u>
	Mail Australian Government Bond Registrar Computershare Investor Services Pty Limited GPO Box 2975 Melbourne VIC 3001 AUSTRALIA
	The Australian Government is not a member of the Australian Financial Complaints Authority ( <b>AFCA</b> ). Complaints regarding your eTIBs can be made to Computershare.

# **SECTION 5: FURTHER INFORMATION**

### Australian taxation information

The following is a summary of the Australian withholding tax treatment under the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1936*, the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997* and the *Taxation Administration Act 1953*, at the date of this Investor Information Statement, of Coupon Interest Payments by the Australian Government on the eTIBs and certain other Australian tax matters.

The summary is not exhaustive and, in particular, does not deal with the position of certain classes of eTIB Holders (including, without limitation, dealers in securities, custodians or other third parties who hold eTIBs on behalf of any person). It also does not deal with how eTIB Holders may otherwise be taxed in respect of the eTIBs, including in respect of Coupon Interest Payments and any excess of the Nominal Value over the Face Value.

The actual taxation consequences of acquiring, holding and disposing of eTIBs will vary depending on the particular circumstances of the holder. Therefore, a prospective holder of eTIBs is encouraged to consult a professional tax adviser in relation to their specific circumstances.

#### Interest withholding tax

Interest withholding tax applies to interest payments (within the meaning of section 128A(1AB) of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1936*) to an eTIB Holder who is:

- a. an Australian resident for income taxation purposes who derives the Coupon Interest Payments in carrying on business at or through a permanent establishment outside Australia; or
- b. a non-resident for income taxation purposes who does not derive the Coupon Interest Payments in carrying on business at or through a permanent establishment in Australia,

unless an exemption applies.

Coupon Interest Payments on eTIBs are eligible for exemption from non-resident interest withholding tax provided the eTIBs have been issued in a manner that satisfies the "public offer test" in section 128F of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1936*. Unless otherwise announced at the time of issue, the eTIBs are intended to be issued in a manner that satisfies the "public offer test" and Coupon Interest Payments are to be "interest" (within the meaning of section 128A(1AB) of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1936*).

eTIBs must not be purchased by an Offshore Associate of the Australian Government other than one acting in the capacity of a dealer, manager or underwriter in relation to the placement of the eTIBs or in the capacity of a clearing house, custodian, funds manager or responsible entity of an Australian registered scheme.

In addition, Australia has signed a number of double tax treaties with foreign jurisdictions which effectively prevent interest withholding tax from applying to certain recipients.

#### ABN/TFN withholding tax

eTIB Holders are not required to provide their Tax File Number (**TFN**) or ABN. However, if the eTIB Holder does not provide a TFN or ABN and does not claim an exemption from providing a TFN or ABN, an amount may be withheld from certain payments equal to the top marginal rate of income tax plus the Medicare Levy. Assuming the requirements of section 128F of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1936 are satisfied with respect to the eTIBs, then this requirement should not apply to payments of interest (within the meaning of section 128A(1AB) of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1936) to an eTIB Holder who is not an Australian resident and who does not derive the payment in carrying on business at or through a permanent establishment in Australia.

#### Garnishee directions issued by the Commissioner of Taxation

The Commissioner of Taxation may give a direction requiring a third party to deduct from any payment to an eTIB Holder any amount in respect of Australian tax payable by the eTIB Holder. If the Australian Government is served with a valid direction, then the Australian Government will comply with that direction and make any deduction required by that direction.

#### No additional amounts payable

For the avoidance of doubt, in the event that any payment made by the Australian Government in respect of eTIBs is made subject to deduction or withholding for or on account of any taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges of any nature, no additional amounts will be payable by the Australian Government in respect of such deduction or withholding.

#### U.S. Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act

Under sections 1471 through 1474 of the *U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986* (FATCA), a 30% withholding (FATCA withholding) may be required if (i)(A) an investor does not provide information sufficient for any non-U.S. financial institution (FFI) through which payments on the eTIBs are made to determine the eTIB Holder's status under FATCA, or (B) an FFI to or through which payments on the eTIBs are made is a "non-participating FFI"; and (ii) the eTIBs are treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes and the payment is made in respect of eTIBs issued or modified after the date that is 6 months after the date on which final regulations defining the term "foreign passthru payment" are filed with the U.S. Federal Register, or the eTIBs are treated as equity for U.S. federal income tax purposes or do not have a fixed term, whenever issued.

FATCA withholding is not expected to apply on payments made before the date that is 2 years after the date on which final regulations defining the term "foreign passthru payment" are filed with the U.S. Federal Register.

Reporting Australian Financial Institutions (**RAFIs**) under the Australia–U.S. FATCA Intergovernmental Agreement dated 28 April 2014 (**Australian IGA**) must comply with specific due diligence procedures. In general, these procedures seek to identify account holders and provide the Australian Taxation Office (**ATO**) with information on financial accounts held by U.S. persons and recalcitrant account holders. The ATO is required to provide such information to the U.S. Internal Revenue Service. Consequently, eTIB Holders may be requested to provide certain information and certifications to any financial institutions through which payments on

the eTIBs are made. A RAFI that complies with its obligations under the Australian IGA will not be subject to FATCA withholding on amounts it receives and will not be required to deduct FATCA withholding from payments it makes, other than in certain prescribed circumstances.

In the event that any amount is required to be withheld or deducted from a payment on the eTIBs as a result of FATCA, no additional amounts will be paid by the Australian Government to eTIB Holders as a result of the deduction or withholding.

#### Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Common Reporting Standard

The OECD Common Reporting Standard for Automatic Exchange of Financial Account Information (**CRS**) requires certain financial institutions to report information regarding certain accounts (which may include the eTIBs) to their local tax authority and follow related due diligence procedures. eTIB Holders may be requested to provide certain information and certifications to ensure compliance with the CRS. A jurisdiction that has signed a CRS Competent Authority Agreement may provide this information to other jurisdictions that have signed the CRS Competent Authority Agreement. The Australian Government has enacted legislation amending, among other things, the *Taxation Administration Act 1953* to give effect to the CRS.

### Modifications

The Australian Government may without the consent of eTIB Holders or holders of the underlying Treasury Indexed Bonds modify any of the conditions or provisions of the Investor Information Statement or Information Memorandum in respect of the underlying Treasury Indexed Bonds which:

- in its opinion is of a formal, minor or technical nature or is made to correct a manifest error; or
- which is made to comply with mandatory provisions of law; or
- any other modification provided that such modification is not in the opinion of the Australian Government materially prejudicial to the interests of eTIB Holders or holders of the underlying Treasury Indexed Bonds.

# Where to find further information about the Australian Government's financial position

The website <u>www.budget.gov.au</u> has current and past Australian Government Budget Papers and updates to the economic and fiscal outlook.

Monthly financial statements for the Australian Government are available at <u>www.finance.gov.</u> <u>au/publications/commonwealth-monthly-financial-statements</u>

Annual consolidated financial statements for the Australian Government are available at <u>www.</u> <u>finance.gov.au/publications/commonwealth-consolidated-financial-statements</u>

Forward-looking statements and projections are not guarantees of future performance and actual results or outcomes may vary materially from such statements and projections.

#### Where to find further information about eTIBs

Further information about eTIBs and Treasury Indexed Bonds is available on the <u>Australian</u> <u>Government Bonds Website</u>.

#### Who to contact and method of communications

Refer to "Communications" and "Who to contact about my eTIB holdings" in Section 4 of this Investor Information Statement for more information.

### SECTION 6: DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

#### Definitions

The following definitions apply throughout this Investor Information Statement unless the context requires otherwise:

"ABN" means Australian Business Number.

"ABS" means Australian Bureau of Statistics.

**"ASX"** means ASX Limited (ABN 98 008 624 691) or the financial market operated by it, as the context requires.

"ASX Operating Rules" means the operating rules of ASX, available at: <u>www.asx.com.au/</u> <u>about/regulation/rules-guidance-notes-and-waivers/asx-operating-rules-guidance-notes-</u> <u>and-waivers</u>.

"ASX Settlement" means ASX Settlement Pty Limited (ABN 49 008 504 532).

"ASX Settlement Operating Rules" means the operating rules of ASX Settlement.

"Austraclear" means Austraclear Limited (ABN 94 002 060 773) (an ASX subsidiary) or, where applicable, a related entity of Austraclear Limited.

"Austraclear System" means the system for the settlement and related depository services of debt securities operated by Austraclear.

"Australian Government Bonds Website" means the website located at www.australiangovernmentbonds.gov.au.

"Australian Office of Financial Management" or "AOFM" means the Australian Government agency with responsibility for management and administration of Australian Government debt.

**"Business Day"** means a day not being a Saturday or Sunday on which banks are open for general banking business in Sydney.

**"CHESS"** means the Clearing House Electronic Subregister System operated by ASX Settlement and another ASX subsidiary.

"CDI" means a CHESS Depositary Interest issued under the ASX Settlement Operating Rules.

"Commonwealth" means Commonwealth of Australia.

"Computershare" means Computershare Investor Services Pty Limited (ABN 48 078 279 277).

**"Consumer Price Index"** or **"CPI"** means the measure of the overall price level in the economy, calculated quarterly in accordance with the method set out in "Consumer Price Index (or CPI)" in Section 4 of this Investor Information Statement. CPI is used in the calculation of the Nominal Value.

"Corporations Act" means the Corporations Act 2001.

**"Coupon Interest Payments"** means, for Treasury Indexed Bonds, the interest payments paid or due to be paid on the Coupon Interest Payment Date.

**"Coupon Interest Payment Date"** means a date, as specified on the <u>Australian Government</u> <u>Bonds Website</u>, on which a Coupon Interest Payment is due to be made in respect of a specific series of Treasury Indexed Bonds (as set out in the Term Sheet for those Treasury Indexed Bonds) and includes the Maturity Date.

**"Coupon Interest Rate"** means the interest rate (expressed as a percentage per annum) payable in respect of a specific series of Treasury Indexed Bonds (as set out in the Term Sheet for those Treasury Indexed Bonds).

**"Depositary Nominee"** means the entity appointed under the ASX Settlement Operating Rules to hold beneficial title to Treasury Indexed Bonds that are, or are to be, held in the form of eTIBs. CHESS Depositary Nominees Pty Ltd (ABN 75 071 346 506) has been appointed the Depositary Nominee for eTIBs.

"Dollars" and "\$" means the lawful currency of Australia.

**"eTIB"** means exchange-traded Treasury Indexed Bond or a CDI issued over Treasury Indexed Bonds.

"eTIB Holder" means in respect of any eTIB, the person whose name from time to time is entered into the Register as the holder of that eTIB.

**"Face Value"** means the principal or par value of a Treasury Indexed Bond, unadjusted for changes in the CPI.

"Maturity Date" means the date on which a Treasury Indexed Bond is to be repaid (as set out in the Term Sheet for the relevant Treasury Indexed Bond).

"Maturity Payment" means, for a Treasury Indexed Bond, the payment paid or due to be paid on that bond on the Maturity Date.

"Nominal Value" means the CPI-adjusted capital value of a Treasury Indexed Bond.

**"Offshore Associate"** means an associate (as defined in section 128F of the Income *Tax Assessment Act 1936*) that is either a non-resident of Australia that does not acquire the Treasury eTIBs in carrying on a business at or through a permanent establishment in Australia or, alternatively, a resident of Australia that acquires the eTIBs in carrying on a business at or through a permanent establishment establishment or through a permanent establishment estab

**"Record Date"** means the close of business on the eighth day before the relevant Coupon Interest Payment Date or Maturity Date or, if this is not a Business Day, the preceding Business Day.

"Register" means the eTIB register and "registered" has a corresponding meaning.

**"Registrar"** means Computershare or such other person appointed by the Commonwealth to maintain a register in respect of eTIBs and perform such payment and other duties specified in that agreement.

**"Term Sheet"** means an information statement that can be obtained at the Australian Government Bonds Website, which contains details of the Coupon Interest Rate, Coupon Interest Payment Dates, Maturity Date and other information for a specific series of Treasury Indexed Bonds.

#### Interpretation

In this Investor Information Statement:

- The words **"including"**, **"for example"** or **"such as"** when introducing an example, do not limit the meaning of the words to which the example relates to that example or examples of a similar kind.
- A reference to a person includes an individual, company, corporation, body corporate, body politic, partnership, trust or any other type of entity.
- A reference to a law (including a provision of legislation) is a reference to that law as amended, consolidated, supplemented or replaced and includes a reference to any regulation, rule, statutory instrument, by-law or other subordinate legislation.
- Where a word or phrase is defined, its other grammatical forms have a corresponding meaning.