EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999

Instrument under section 184(1)(d)

(Issued under the Authority of the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and the Arts)

The Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (the Act) places certain obligations on the Commonwealth to protect and conserve threatened species.

The purpose of this instrument is to amend the list of threatened species under the Act in accordance with paragraph s184(1)(d) of the Act by:

- updating the scientific names of threatened species referred to in that list in accordance with Schedule A (attached).

The Current Name is the name on the list before amendment and the Updated Name is the new name after the legislative instrument has taken effect.

These name changes result from:

- changes to species names following taxonomic revisions where the taxonomic revisions have not altered the concept or description of the species

As these amendments are machinery in nature, consultation was not considered necessary.

This instrument is a legislative instrument for the purposes of the Legislative Instruments Act 2003.

The instrument commenced on the day after it was registered on the Federal Register of Legislative Instruments.