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| Mr Jason McNamara  Executive Director  Office of Best Practice Regulation  Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet |  |

Dear Mr McNamara

**Options-stage Regulation Impact Statement – carbon tax repeal**

I am writing in relation to the attached options-stage Regulation Impact Statement (RIS) prepared for the repeal of the carbon tax.

I am satisfied that the options-stage RIS meets the Government’s best practice regulation requirements, in particular that:

* the problem being addressed and the objectives of government action are well articulated; and
* in line with the requirements for election commitments, the RIS focuses on the commitment and the way in which the commitment should be implemented.

I submit the certified RIS to the Office of Best Practice Regulation for publication on its website following announcement of a decision being made.

Yours sincerely

Dr Steven Kennedy  
Deputy Secretary

Department of the Environment

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