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Dear Mr Medcraft

Regulation Impact Statement – 31-day Term Deposits Temporary Class Order [CO 14/1262]

Thank you for letter of 29 July 2015 concerning the Regulation Impact Statement (RIS) requirements for the 31-day Term Deposits Temporary Class Order [CO 14/1262].

The Office of Best Practice Regulation finds that ASIC is compliant with the Government's requirements on the basis that:

- ASIC has self-assessed its public inquiry has followed a similar process to that required for a RIS and has adequately addressed all seven RIS questions; and
- the regulatory costs have been agreed with the OBPR.

However, it is best practice that self-assessment and agreement to costs are done prior to a final decision. I note this did not occur and therefore the ASIC has not followed best practice.

Publication requirements

The OBPR maintains a RIS website and the Government requires that RISs be posted within five business days of a regulatory decision being publicly announced. We would appreciate you forwarding a final copy of the discussion paper, draft and final decisions in Microsoft Word .doc format in a form meeting the Australian Government's *Web Content Accessibility Guidelines*. We suggest liaising with your web services team to ensure these guidelines are met. The website provides a public comment facility on RISs posted on the site. The OBPR moderates this facility for offensive content but does not moderate debate.

Please retain this letter as a record of the OBPR's advice. Our reference number for this issue is 14038. If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Jason McNamara

Executive Director 6 August 2014