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Dear Mr Hehir

**Regulation Impact Statement – Second-pass final assessment –
2015 Employment Services**

Thank you for your letter dated 28 July 2015 in response to the Office of Best Practice Regulation's (OBPR) second-pass assessment of the 2015 Employment Services Regulation Impact Statement (RIS). We note that the RIS, submitted on 25 June 2015, was formally certified at the Deputy Secretary level consistent with best practice.

The OBPR notes that a regulatory burden costing extension until 30 September 2015 has been granted by the Prime Minister. Therefore the Department of Employment is not yet compliant with the Government's RIS requirements, as regulatory burden estimates have not been agreed between the OBPR and your Department. When regulatory costings are agreed with the OBPR, the costings will be published on the OBPR website, along with our assessment of compliance with the Australian Government RIS requirements.

The 2015 Employment Services RIS should be published on the OBPR website as soon as practicable. We would appreciate your department forwarding a final copy of the RIS 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. It is the agency preparing the RIS, not the OBPR, which is responsible for the content of the published RIS. 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 matter is 16738. If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tony Simovski'.

Tony Simovski
A/g Deputy Executive Director
Office of Best Practice Regulation
30 July 2015