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Dear Mr McNamara

Regulation Impact Statement (#17757) - final assessment

I am writing in relation to the attached Regulation Impact Statement (RIS) concerning market access facilitation for the Western Sydney Airport project.

The RIS was finalised following receipt of the Office of Best Practice Regulation's 20 January 2015 'first pass' advice on the proposal.

Consistent with this advice, and within the commercial constraints of the project, I am satisfied that the RIS adequately addresses:

- a description of the policy problem to be solved;
- the policy options under consideration;
- the likely net benefits of each option;
- relevant competition considerations;
- how the recommended option would manage identified risks; and
- how the recommended option offers the greatest net benefit to the community.

I am also satisfied it meets best practice requirements to the extent possible and is consistent with the ten principles for Australian Government policy makers.

I submit the RIS to the Office of Best Practice Regulation for final assessment.

Yours sincerely

Mike Mrdak

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