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Dear Mr Parker

Regulation Impact Statement – *Renewable Energy Target Scheme - Report of the Expert Panel* (the Report)

Thank you for your letter of 1 October 2014 concerning the Regulation Impact Statement (RIS) requirements for Government's initial response to the Report.

I note that it is your assessment that the Report undertaken by the Expert Panel undertook a similar process to that required of a RIS as set out in the Australian Government's Guide to Regulation.

Therefore, the Department of the Environment is compliant with the Government's RIS requirements on the basis that:

- the Department of the Environment has self-assessed that the Report 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 Office of Best Practice Regulation.

Please retain this letter as a record of the Office of Best Practice Regulation's advice. Our reference number for this issue is 16691. If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'J. McNamara'.

Jason McNamara
Executive Director
2 October 2014