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Mr Mark Cormack Deputy Secretary Department of Health cc: Regulatory Reform Unit

Dear Mr Cormack

Regulation Impact Statement – Second-Pass Final Assessment – Child and Adult Public Dental Scheme

Thank you for forwarding the Regulation Impact Statement (RIS) for the above proposal for final assessment on 29 April 2016. I note that you have formally certified the RIS as required by the best practice regulation requirements.

The Office of Best Practice Regulation's (OBPR) final assessment is that the Department of Health is compliant with the Government's requirements. This assessment is based on:

- the regulatory costs having been agreed with the OBPR;
- the Department having submitted the certified RIS for the OBPR's assessment prior to a decision being taken; and
- your letter of 29 April 2016 certifying the RIS responds to the OBPR's formal comments on the RIS in its letter of 26 April 2016.

However, the OBPR considers that a considerably higher level of analysis was required for the RIS to be best practice. Most importantly, a detailed and more coherent assessment of the costs and benefits of the proposal and the expected regulatory impacts on key stakeholders would have resulted in the RIS best practice.

Publication requirements

The OBPR maintains a RIS website. We would appreciate you advising us when a decision on this proposal is finalised, and 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. 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 20127. If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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Tony Simovski A/g Deputy Executive Director 29April 2016