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Mr Rod Sims Chairman Australian Competition and Consumer Commission

Dear Mr Sims

Certification of the Superfast Broadband Access Service Declaration Inquiry as an Independent Review

Thank you for your letter of 29 July 2016 certifying that the Superfast Broadband Access Service Declaration Inquiry undertook a process and analysis equivalent to a Regulation Impact Statement (RIS).

The Office of Best Practice Regulation (OBPR) acknowledges the certification. Under the Government's best practice regulation process, the OBPR does not assess the adequacy of independent reviews.

I note that the estimated increase in regulatory burden from the proposed response to the inquiry is \$1.2 million per annum and that this number has been agreed with the OBPR. I also note that this increase in burden will be offset with a reduction in burden from within the portfolio of the Department of Communications and Arts.

The OBPR's reference number for this matter is 17628.

Yours sincerely

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