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Dear Dr Banerjee

Regulation Impact Statement – Second-Pass Final Assessment – VET FEE-HELP Redesign

Thank you for submitting a Regulation Impact Statement (RIS) for the above proposal to the Office of Best Practice Regulation (OBPR) for final assessment on 4 October 2016. I note that you have formally certified the RIS as required by the best practice regulation requirements.

The OBPR's final assessment is that the Department of Education and Training 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 4 October 2016 certifying the RIS responds to the OBPR's formal comments on the RIS in its letter of 30 September 2016.

However, the OBPR considers that a higher level of analysis was required for the RIS to be best practice. The inclusion of greater analysis of the expected impacts on the vocational education and training market would have elevated the RIS to best practice.

The OBPR maintains a RIS website. Therefore, we would appreciate you advising us when a final decision on this proposal has been announced and forwarding us a copy of the RIS in a form meeting the Government's accessibility requirements.

The OBPR's reference number for this matter is 20451. 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 Office of Best Practice Regulation 5 October 2016