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Dear Mr Poels

OBPR Ref. 22934: Certification of Independent Review ‘Priorities for Australia’s biosecurity system’.

I am writing to certify that the attached report ‘Priorities for Australia’s biosecurity system: An independent review of the capacity of the national biosecurity system and its underpinning Intergovernmental Agreement’ (the review) was informed by a process and analysis equivalent to a Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS).

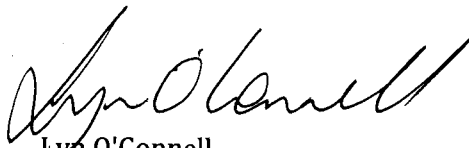
I certify that the review has adequately addressed all seven RIS questions for the purposes of the Australian Government’s consideration of the review panel’s recommendations.

The regulatory burden to business, community organisations or individuals has been quantified using the Australian Government’s Regulatory Burden Measurement framework. Regulatory costings have been agreed with your office and are provided below. In total, the biosecurity measures brought forward by the government as part of the national response to the review will achieve regulatory savings of \$836,638.

Regulatory burden and cost offset estimate table				
Average annual regulatory costs (from business as usual)				
Change in costs (\$ million)	Business	Community organisations	Individuals	Total change in costs
Total, by sector	\$1,684,669	\$1,228,978	-\$3,750,285	-\$836,638
Cost offset (\$ million)	Business	Community organisations	Individuals	Total, by source
Agency	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Are all new costs offset?				
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, costs are offset <input type="checkbox"/> No, costs are not offset <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Deregulatory—no offsets required				
Total (Change in costs – Cost offset) (\$) = -\$836,638				

Accordingly, I am satisfied that the attached report meets best practice consistent with the Australian Government Guide to Regulation for the purpose of this submission.

Yours sincerely



Lyn O'Connell
29 May 2018