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Dear Mr Lange

Regulation Impact Statement – Reducing Trauma from Light Vehicles: Autonomous Emergency Braking – Second Pass Final Assessment

I am writing in relation to the attached Regulation Impact Statement (RIS) prepared for Reducing Trauma from Light Vehicles: Autonomous Emergency Braking (AEB).

I am satisfied that the RIS addresses the concerns raised in your letter of 27 May 2021. Specifically it:

- includes a reference to work by experts showing AEB is the most promising technology to reduce light vehicle trauma at section 2.3 on page 26.
- includes an additional column in Table 5 on page 36 with the dollar benefit-cost ratio comparing the broad high cost approach and targeted low cost approach.
- aligns the costs in Table 7 on page 48 with the costs indicated in section 4.1.2.1 on page 47.
- summarises key views (derived from Appendix A - Public Comment) and the Department's responses into the Consultation section of the RIS.
- plots the benefit-cost ratios on a second graph below Figures 23, 24 and 25 on pages 94, 95 and 96, to make them visible.

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The regulatory cost associated with the final recommendation is \$172 million per year. It is proposed that this will be fully offset through the forward regulatory program for increased harmonisation of the Australian Design Rules (ADRs) with international standards and removal of Australian-specific content from the ADRs. This has been agreed to by the OBPR and internally through the Portfolio Strategy and Policy Coordination Division.

Accordingly, I am satisfied that the RIS is now consistent with the six principles for Australian Government policy makers as specified in the *Australian Government Guide to Regulatory Impact Analysis*.

I submit the RIS to the Office of Best Practice Regulation for formal final assessment.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Diane Brown".

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