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Ms Cheryl-anne Moy  
Deputy Secretary  
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Dear Ms Moy

#### **Regulation Impact Statement – Second Pass Final Assessment – Maximising the Contribution of Priority Economic Cohorts**

Thank you for your letter received on 27 October 2021 submitting a Regulation Impact Statement (RIS) on *Maximising the Contribution of Priority Economic Cohorts* for formal Second Pass Final Assessment. I note the RIS has been formally certified at the Deputy Secretary level consistent with the *Australian Government Guide to Regulatory Impact Analysis*.

I appreciate the Department's constructive engagement on the RIS.

The Office of Best Practice Regulation's (OBPR's) assessment is the quality of the regulatory impact analysis in the RIS is adequate and therefore sufficient to inform a decision.

To be considered 'good practice' as per the *Australian Government Guide to Regulatory Impact Analysis*, the RIS would have benefited from further analysis as to the magnitude and scope of the problem to be solved, and in turn a more detailed consideration of alternative options to achieve the intended outcomes. The RIS would also have benefited from a more thorough examination of the pros and cons of the identified option.

Further, I note you have identified the Department did not request permission to release the specific feedback of various stakeholders, and as such, the RIS does not provide a clear sense of the outcomes of these consultations.

The RIS may now be provided to the decision-maker to inform their decision.

We would appreciate you advising us when a final decision has been announced and forwarding a copy of the RIS in a form meeting the Government's accessibility requirements. The OBPR will publish the RIS, along with your certification and this assessment, on the OBPR's website <https://obpr.pmc.gov.au/>.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jason Lange', written in a cursive style.

Jason Lange  
Executive Director  
28 October 2021