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Ms Diane Brown  
Deputy Secretary  
Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications

Dear Ms Brown

#### **Regulation Impact Statement – Second Pass Final Assessment – Remotely Piloted Aircraft Noise Regulations**

Thank you for your letter received on 11 November 2021 submitting a Regulation Impact Statement (RIS) on Remotely Piloted Aircraft Noise Regulations 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 and ongoing engagement on the RIS.

The Office of Best Practice Regulation's (OBPR's) assessment is that 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 benefitted from a stronger consultation process. However, OBPR notes that there were challenges in undertaking comprehensive consultation due to the absence of clearly identified stakeholder groups and the low engagement in the Department's consultation process.

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  
16 November 2021