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Dear Mr Lange

**Certification of independent review: Independent Review of Australian Carbon Credit Units (ACCUs) - OBPR22-03828**

I am writing to certify that the attached Independent Review of Australian Carbon Credit Units (ACCUs), which was delivered to the Minister for Climate Change and Energy on 20 December 2022 by Professor Ian Chubb (the ACCU Review) on behalf of the Independent Review Panel (the Panel), has undertaken a process and analysis equivalent to an Impact Analysis (IA) under the *Australian Government Guide to Regulatory Impact Analysis*.

I certify that this document adequately addresses all seven RIA questions, and is submitted to the Office of Impact Analysis (OIA) to support the Government's response to the ACCU Review (the Response).

I am satisfied that the scope of the problem and the recommendations identified in the ACCU Review are the same as the reforms outlined in the Response.

I further certify that policy options examined in the ACCU Review are based on the extensive consultation undertaken by the Panel. The Panel consulted widely with technical and carbon industry experts, Australian, State and Territory Government departments and agencies, regional councils, First Nations and Native Title representative groups, carbon service providers and scheme participants, broader industry bodies, environmental non-Government organisations, and current and former scheme administrators.

The Panel released a discussion paper and considered over 200 written public submissions. They also visited project sites in urban and rural settings to investigate methods and project implementation. The panel commissioned expert scientific advice, which has been published.

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As agreed with OIA, and in accordance with the Australian Government's Regulatory Burden Measurement Framework, there is no change to the regulatory burden associated with the Response.

Following the Response, the department will work with OIA to ensure to ensure there is appropriate analysis of any regulatory impacts prior to implementation. I understand that this additional analysis will be published by OIA.

In summary, I am satisfied that attached report is consistent with the *Australian Government Guide to Regulatory Impact Analysis* in relation to supporting the Response.

Yours sincerely



Kath Rowley  
Acting Deputy Secretary  
3 January 2023

Attached:

Final Report of the Independent Review of Australian Carbon Credit Units (ACCUs)

Government Response to the Independent Review of Australian Carbon Credit Units.