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Dear Mr Lange

I am writing to certify that the attached Independent Review of the *Greenhouse and Energy Minimum Standards* (GEMS) *Act 2012* Final Report 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 regulatory IA questions and is submitted to the Office of Impact Analysis (OIA) to support the Government’s priorities for GEMS Reform (see Attachment A).

I am satisfied that the scope of the problem and the recommendations identified in the certified review are substantially the same as the identified problem and recommendations in the proposed GEMS Reform work.

As agreed with OIA, and in accordance with the Australian Government’s *Regulatory Burden Measurement Framework*, in facilitating the changes proposed to GEMS Act and GEMS reform work, it is noted that all product specific regulations will remain subject to impact analysis processes.

There will be no change to current regulatory burden from the GEMS Act and program with accrediting the Review. This is because further product specific regulatory changes will still be required to undertake regulatory impact analyses in accordance with OIA requirements.

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

Yours sincerely

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Deputy Secretary
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5 June 2023

Attached:

* The Independent Review of GEMS Act 2012 Final report
* Attachment A: GEMS Reform project