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Ms Lyn O'Connell  
Deputy Secretary  
Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water

Dear Ms O'Connell

**Independent Review – Murray-Darling Basin Water Market Roadmap**

Thank you for providing the Office of Best Practice Regulation (OBPR) with the Murray-Darling Basin Water Market Roadmap for assessment as an Independent Review. The OBPR received this document on 25 August 2022.

The Office of Best Practice Regulation (OBPR) acknowledges the certification. Under the Government's Regulatory Impact Analysis process, the OBPR does not assess the adequacy of independent reviews, but does assess whether the options analysed in the independent review are relevant to the regulatory proposal. The OBPR also assesses whether the independent review or certification letter identifies regulatory costs.

In this case, the OBPR's assessment is that the options analysed in the independent review are sufficiently relevant to the regulatory proposal. The OBPR also notes the Department has estimated there will be an increase in regulatory burden of \$0.488 million per annum.

We would appreciate you advising us when a final decision has been announced and forwarding a copy of the independent review in a form meeting the Government's accessibility requirements. The OBPR will publish the independent review, along with your certification, on the OBPR's website [obpr.pmc.gov.au/published-impact-analyses-and-reports](http://obpr.pmc.gov.au/published-impact-analyses-and-reports).

The OBPR's reference number for this matter is OBPR22-01397. 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  
1 September 2022