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Dear Ms Deininger

Impact Analysis – Second Pass Assessment – Modernising the Agricultural Levies Legislation

Thank you for your letter submitting an Impact Analysis (IA) for formal Second Pass Final Assessment, received 6 July 2023. I note the IA has been formally certified at the Deputy Secretary level consistent with the *Australian Government Guide to Policy Impact Analysis* (the Guide).

The Office of Impact Analysis (OIA) notes that the IA includes a level of detail commensurate with the scale of the likely impact to modernising the agricultural levy legislation. The OIA assessment is that the quality of the analysis is consistent with ‘good practice’ and therefore sufficient to inform a decision.

To be assessed as ‘exemplary’ under the Guide, the IA would have benefitted from:

- Further evaluation of the barriers and risks associated with changes to the levies legislation, including issues drawn from dissenting stakeholder views; and
- Elaboration of the evaluation approach, including firmer detail on obligations of specific parties, clarification of governance arrangements, and approaches for tracking unintended consequences.

Next steps

After a final decision has been announced, I ask that your agency work with the OIA to finalise this material for public release. This includes providing a copy of the IA in Word and PDF format for web accessibility purposes.

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

Yours sincerely

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

Jason Lange
Executive Director
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21 July 2023