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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF AVIATION SAFETY

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Mr Jason Lange
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Dear Mr Lange *Sub*

Regulation Impact Statement for amendments to the *Airspace Regulations 2007*

I am writing in relation to the attached Regulation Impact Statement (RIS) prepared by the Civil Aviation Safety Authority for the proposed amendments to the *Airspace Regulations 2007*.

I am satisfied that the RIS addresses the issues raised in your first stage formal assessment letter.

CASA has included an explanation of the constraints on the Australian Government achieving the objectives. Constraints relating to geography, established civil operations and existing Defence locations impact CASA's options to achieve its safety objectives.

Additional information is provided that explains the evidence and research available to inform both the problem and impact sections. Only limited evidence is available for the particular matter covered by the RIS, and this is now transparent.

In terms of the impact section, the RIS now includes a discussion of the potential impacts of Option 2 on airspace users. Analysis is also included on the extent to which Option 2 and Option 3 address the problems and objectives relative to the status quo.

The RIS now includes additional explanation of implementation risks and new material on metrics for implementation success. Further information is provided about the consultation process and the incorporation of stakeholder feedback into formulation of the policy.

Accordingly, I am satisfied that the RIS now meets the Best Practice Regulation requirements.

I submit the RIS to the OBPR for formal assessment.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'PS'.

Pip Spence
CEO / Director of Aviation Safety

2 September 2022