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Dear Mr Craig

Impact Analysis – Improving Pedestrian Safety—Acoustic Vehicle Alerting Systems for Quiet Road Transport Vehicles – Second Pass Final Assessment

I am writing in relation to the attached Impact Analysis (IA) *Improving Pedestrian Safety—Acoustic Vehicle Alerting Systems for Quiet Road Transport Vehicles*.

I am satisfied that the IA addresses the recommendations in your letter of 13 December 2023. Specifically, the department has made the following changes in response to your comments:

- a. updated section 2, further clarifying the government’s objectives for introducing AVAS.
- b. provided further detail on the how the effectiveness of the proposed measure will be evaluated in accordance with evaluation methods connected to the National Road Safety Strategy and Action Plan, tying together initial points from section 2 to section 7, allowing better readability and a more comprehensive evaluation method.
- c. updated section 3 to clarify that the new ADR will not impose any new regulatory obligations on vehicles supplied before the proposed commencement dates in 2025 and 2026.

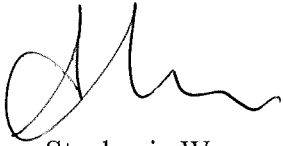
The estimated annual regulatory costs for the first ten years of the recommended option are \$19.3 million. It is proposed that any additional regulatory burden from this ADR be fully offset through the ongoing regulatory program for increased harmonisation of the ADRs with international standards and removal of Australian-specific content from the ADRs.

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Accordingly, I am satisfied that the IA is now consistent with the six principles for Australian Government policy makers as specified in the *Australian Government Guide to Policy Impact Analysis*.

I submit the IA to the Office of Impact Analysis for second pass assessment.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Stephanie Werner', with a large initial 'S' and a cursive style.

Stephanie Werner

21 December 2023

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