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Dear Mr Lange

**Impact Analysis – Options for electricity generation and storage capacity – Second Pass Final Assessment**

I am writing in relation to the attached Impact Analysis (IA) prepared for Options for electricity generation and storage capacity.

I am satisfied the IA addresses the concerns raised in your letter of 3 October 2023. Specifically, as the IA now more adequately:

- identifies and describes the stakeholder cohorts and how they are affected by the policy;
- provides a description of the likely impacts on the stakeholder cohorts;
- elaborates on the rationale for the recommendation of the preferred option;
- includes a glossary to improve the overall coherence of the document;
- details the key themes of views from stakeholders following consultation;
- includes a structured assessment of risks of the preferred option;
- provides modelling that has been developed to support the policy decision; and
- provides more detailed evaluation planning, including the key success metrics.

The regulatory costs are estimated to be \$11.6 million per year. The regulatory costs do not have any offsetting regulatory savings. The preferred option has been planned in a way that will minimise the regulatory costs on participants, particularly through extensive consultation to ensure participants are made aware of information relevant to them.

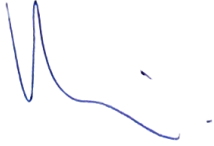
Accordingly, I am satisfied that the IA is now consistent with the six principles for Australian Government policy makers as specified in the *Australian Government Guide to Policy Impact Analysis*.

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I submit the IA to the Office of Impact Analysis for formal final assessment.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Kirsty Gowans', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Kirsty Gowans

a/g Deputy Secretary

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13 October 2023