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Dear Mr Craig

## Impact Analysis – OBPR22-03734 Pathway to reforming DVA Legislation – Second Pass Final Assessment

I am writing in relation to the enclosed Impact Analysis (IA) prepared for the Pathway to reforming DVA Legislation.

The Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA) has worked closely with the Office of Impact Analysis to prepare the IA for the Second Pass Final Assessment. I would like to thank your team for their engagement and support throughout this process.

I am satisfied that the IA addresses the concerns raised in your letter of 13 June 2024.

Specifically, DVA has made the following changes to the IA to reflect these comments:

- information on data gaps and their impact on analysis certainty have been incorporated into question 1;
- in question 2, the success indicators have been expanded and quantitative values have been incorporated for the Government's objectives as well as the timing for when the objectives need to be achieved;
- question 4 has been updated to provide further detail on the impacts, costs and benefits of the considered options as well as an explanation of the methods used to identify the net benefit and how this has been used to identify the best option;
- further information has been provided in question 5 to articulate the role of consultation in shaping the options and likely impacts;
- question 6 now establishes a clear decision rule for identifying the preferred option and provides additional information on the potential risks to achieving the Government's objectives, their likelihood and consequences; and
- additional information has been included in question 7 on the plans for undertaking a review as well as the planned data collection, management and assessment.

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The regulatory savings are \$5.5 million per year.

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 formal final Assessment.

Yours sincerely

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