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Dear Ms Abhayaratna

Certification of Sunsetting Instrument

I am writing to the Office of Impact Analysis (OIA) regarding the GST-free Supply (Drugs and Medicinal Preparations) Determination 2015 which, as per the *Legislation Act 2003*, had been scheduled to sunset on 1 October 2025. The Department of Health, Disability and Ageing (the Department) has decided that the instrument is to be remade without significant amendment.

The Department certifies that the GST-free Supply (Drugs and Medicinal Preparations) Determination 2015 is operating effectively and efficiently, and that therefore an Impact Analysis is not required for this legislation to be remade.

This assessment has been informed by a public consultation process which took place from 21 August to 8 September 2025, and involved peak bodies representing pharmacy, medical practitioners, health consumers and the general public. The consultation received 139 responses. 137 of the responses indicated support for the instrument being remade without significant amendment.

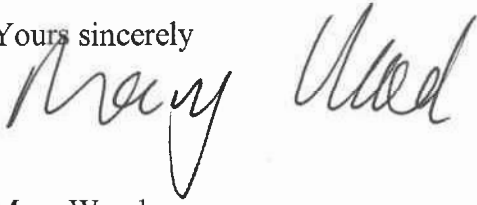
I also note that the regulatory burden to people, business, or community organisations has been quantified using the Australian Government's Regulatory Burden Measurement framework. These are provided below.

Average annual regulatory costs (compared to maintaining the current GST-free status of the products):

| Change in costs (\$ million) | Business | Community organisations | People | Total change in costs |
|---------------------------------|----------|----------------------------|--------|--------------------------|
| Total, by sector | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

I acknowledge that the OIA will publish this letter for transparency purposes.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mary Wood". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Mary" and the last name "Wood" clearly distinguishable.

Mary Wood

Deputy Secretary

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