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Dear Ms Abhayaratna

Impact Analysis – Options to provide Solar Sharer Offer – Second Pass Final Assessment

I am writing in relation to the attached Impact Analysis (IA) prepared for The Office of Impact Analysis.

I am satisfied that the revised IA addresses the primary concerns raised in your letter of 19/02/2026. Accordingly, we have sought to address the following specific issues:

- The associated rationale for undertaking a multi-criteria analysis method to evaluate the likely impacts of each option in the IA, including identifying relevant information sources and data limitations where appropriate.
- Clarification as to why low/negative midday wholesale prices are not currently being passed on as a price signal to consumers in the retail market.
- Provided more detail on the proposed monitoring arrangements, and details of governance arrangements for the Post Implementation Review.

A detailed regulatory burden estimate on the preferred option has not been included at this time as the department is finalising the supporting data, associated cost estimates and analysis. This will be provided to you as soon as practicable once it is completed.

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

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

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'M. R.', written in a cursive style.

Matthew Brine

Acting Deputy Secretary

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