



Ms Diane Brown
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Dear Ms Brown

Certification of Impact Analysis Equivalent – Capital Gains Tax and Negative Gearing

Thank you for your letter of 11 May 2026 certifying the *Report of the Senate Select Committee on the Operation of the Capital Gains Tax Discount; 2026-27 Budget, Budget Paper No. 1 – Budget Statement 4: Tax reform for workers, businesses and future generations (Budget Statement 4)*; together with the Supplementary Analysis prepared by Treasury undertook a process and analysis equivalent to an Impact Analysis (IA).

The Office of Impact Analysis (OIA) acknowledges the certification as an Impact Analysis Equivalent (IAE). Under the *Australian Government Guide to Policy Impact Analysis*, the OIA does not assess the adequacy of the analysis contained in an IAE but does assess whether the options analysed in the certified documents are relevant to the policy proposal. The OIA also assesses the IAE for the coverage of the seven IA questions conducted and whether the IAE or certification letter identifies regulatory costs.

In this case, the OIA's assessment is that the options analysed in the IAE are sufficiently relevant to the proposal. The IAE contains Supplementary Analysis prepared by the Treasury to address IA question 7.

We would appreciate you advising us when a final decision has been announced and forwarding a copy of the IAE in a form meeting the Government's accessibility requirements. The OIA will publish the IAE, along with your certification, on the OIA's website at oia.pmc.gov.au. The IAE must be included in any Explanatory Memorandum or Statement giving effect to the proposals in the IAE, as stipulated in the *User Guide to the Australian Government Guide to Policy Impact Analysis*.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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