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Dear Ms Abhayaratna,

**Certification as Impact Analysis Equivalent – Report of the Statutory Review of the  
Online Safety Act 2021**

I am writing to certify that the attached Report of the Statutory Review of the Online Safety Act 2021 (the Review) has undertaken a process and analysis equivalent to an Impact Analysis (IA).

Following consultation with your Office, I certify that the Review adequately addresses all seven IA questions for the purpose of informing a final policy decision on the Digital Duty of Care model for Online Safety.

I am satisfied that the scope of the problem and the recommendations identified in the IA Equivalent are substantially the same as the identified problem and recommendations in the policy proposal.

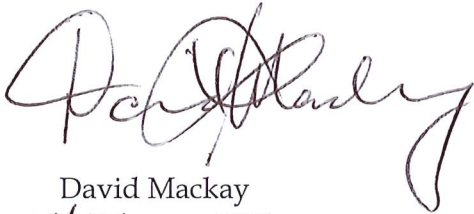
The regulatory burden to Australian businesses, community organisations or individuals is quantified using the Australian Government's *Regulatory Burden Measurement* framework and is provided below.

**Regulatory burden estimate table**

| Average annual regulatory costs (from business as usual) |          |                            |             |                          |
|----------------------------------------------------------|----------|----------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| Change in costs<br>(\$ million)                          | Business | Community<br>organisations | Individuals | Total change in<br>costs |
| Total, by sector                                         | \$1.408  | \$-                        | \$-         | \$1.408                  |

Accordingly, I am satisfied that the attached report is consistent with the *Australian Government Guide to Policy Impact Analysis*.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'David Mackay', with a large, stylized initial 'D'.

David Mackay  
16 February 2026