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By email

Dear Mr Williamson,

Regulation Impact Statement – Second Pass Final Assessment – Regulation to Establish Levy and Charges on Melons

Thank you for submitting the Regulation Impact Statement (RIS) for the above proposal to the Office of Best Practice Regulation (OBPR) for second pass Final Assessment on 15 September 2016. I note that the RIS has been formally certified at the Deputy Secretary level consistent with best practice.

The OBPR's final assessment is that the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources is compliant with the Government's RIS requirements and that the RIS is consistent with best practice. This assessment is based on the following:

- the regulatory costs have been estimated in accordance with the Government's Regulatory Burden Measurement framework;
- your letter of 15 September 2016 certifies that the RIS responds to the OBPR's formal comments on the RIS submitted for first-pass assessment; and
- the RIS does not contain obvious errors.

The OBPR maintains a RIS website. We would appreciate your agency advising us when a decision on this proposal is finalised, and forwarding a final copy of the RIS in Microsoft Word and PDF format in a form meeting the Australian Government's *Web Content Accessibility Guidelines*. The website provides a public comment facility on RISs posted on the site. The OBPR moderates this facility for offensive content but does not moderate debate.

The OBPR should be consulted if the RIS is amended. It is the agency preparing the RIS, not the OBPR, which is responsible for the content of the published RIS.

Please retain this letter as a record of the OBPR's advice. Our reference number for this matter is 20458. If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. Simovski', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Tony Simovski
A/g Deputy Executive Director
Office of Best Practice Regulation

20 September 2016