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Dear Ms Cvijanovic

**Regulation Impact Statement – final assessment second pass**

I am writing in relation to the attached Regulation Impact Statement (RIS) prepared for the employer sponsored skilled visa programme (OBPR No. 21946). The regulatory burden to business, community organisations and/or individuals has been quantified and offsets have been identified and quantified using the Business Cost Calculator. These have been agreed with your office.

I am satisfied that the RIS addresses the comments made in the letter from your office of 4 August 2017. Specifically, the RIS has been updated to:

- provide a clear indication of how failings in the system have resulted in the problems identified;
- better quantify the magnitude of the problems;
- effectively articulate why the Government needs to fix the problems, and the impacts of the Government not doing so;
- include a broader discussion of the likely impacts on the Australian labour market; and
- provide a more detailed overview of the feedback received from stakeholders .

Accordingly, I am satisfied that the RIS now meets best practice consistent with the *Australian Government Guide to Regulation*.

I submit the certified RIS to the Office of Best Practice Regulation for formal final assessment.

Yours sincerely

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