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Dear Mr Lange

Post-implementation Review – McCarthy Review, Independent Observers and Marine Order 43

I am writing in relation to the attached draft Post-Implementation Review (PIR) prepared by Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment and the Australian Maritime Safety Authority for policies implemented following the recommendations of the McCarthy Review, the Independent Observer program and the amendments to Marine Order 43.

I am satisfied that the draft PIR meets the Australian Government's best practice regulation requirements, in particular that:

- the problem that was addressed and the objectives of government action are well articulated;
- the evidence and analysis of the impacts is adequate and presented in a balanced way;
- the regulatory costs have been quantified as per the Commonwealth Regulatory Burden Measurement Framework;
- the findings from consultation are presented in a balanced way; and
- the conclusion is supported by the analysis in the PIR.

I submit the PIR to the Office of Best Practice Regulation for formal assessment.

Yours sincerely

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