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cc The Hon Madeleine King MP, Minister for Resources and Minister for Northern Australia Senator the Hon Tim Ayres, Minister for Industry and Innovation and Minister for Science

Dear Treasurer and Minister,

Thank you for your letter of 4 July 2025 seeking assistance to identify regulatory reform opportunities within the Department of Industry, Science and Resources to bolster productivity growth.

The department is committed to the Australian Government's economic growth agenda to secure a Future Made in Australia by stimulating innovation and developing our industrial and resources sectors in an increasingly uncertain global landscape.

The department maintains a sharp focus on ensuring our regulatory activities are adaptive, proportionate and balance opportunities to drive economic growth with risk mitigation. In addition, the department is actively exploring and implementing ways to deepen the use and integration of AI tools to improve our delivery and user experience.

The government has committed to legislative reform of our national measurement standard system which will result in a significant modernisation of this foundational regulatory framework. This will deliver important reductions in red tape, speed up activity and improve transparency for businesses and customers. The updated legislation will also allow us to improve the efficiency of our regulatory activity.

Other government priorities that show good prospects for us to be able to improve regulatory processes include the Gas Market Review, the statutory reviews of National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environmental Management Authority and National Offshore Petroleum Titles Administrator and implementing the Future Gas Strategy.

Portfolio regulators: the Anti-Dumping Commission, the Net Zero Economy Authority, the National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environmental Management Authority and IP Australia, will reply separately.

I look forward to the outcomes of the Economic Reform Roundtable and progressing reforms identified as priorities.

Yours sincerely,



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Secretary

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