

Australian Government

Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts

Secretary Jim Betts

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The Hon Jim Chalmers MP Treasurer Parliament House Canberra ACT 2600

Senator the Hon Katy Gallagher Minister for Finance Parliament House Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Treasurer and Minister

I write in response to your letter of 4 July 2025 seeking assistance in identifying potential regulatory reform opportunities to bolster productivity growth from within the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts.

To support preparations for the Economic Reform Roundtable, the department worked closely with the Office of the Hon Catherine King MP, Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government to identify reform opportunities across the portfolio. These ideas were put forward to the Minister for her consideration. The proposals determined by the Minister as offering the best opportunities to lift productivity in the near term were incorporated into the Minister's letter to the Treasurer dated 1 August 2025.

The department remains committed to ongoing review and improvement of our regulatory performance, and to identifying opportunities for improved productivity across all of our functions.

Yours sincerely

Jim Betts

18 August 2025