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Dear Ms Middleton

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ADVICE ON THE ADEQUACY OF REGULATORY IMPACT STATEMENT

Thank you for seeking advice on the Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS) on the proposed *Environment Protection (Vehicle Emissions) Regulations 2013.*

The Victorian Competition and Efficiency Commission (VCEC) advises on the adequacy of RISs as required under section 10(3) of the *Subordinate Legislation Act 1994* (the Act). I advise that the final version of the RIS and draft Regulations received by the VCEC on 18 July 2013 meets the requirements of section 10 of the Act.

The VCEC's advice is based on the adequacy of the evidence presented in the RIS and is focused on the quality of the analysis rather than the merits of the proposal itself. **Therefore**, the VCEC's advice that the RIS is adequate does not represent an endorsement of the proposal.

In making this assessment the VCEC notes the importance of undertaking an evaluation of the effectiveness of these Regulations, in particular to collect emissions data and undertake research into the current value of air emissions.

In the interests of transparency, it is government policy VCEC's advice be published with the RIS when it is released for consultation.

If you have any questions, please contact RegulationReview@vcec.vic.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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