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Dear Mr Padanyi

ASSESSMENT OF REGULATORY IMPACT STATEMENT

Thank you for seeking an assessment of the Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS) on the proposed *Electricity Safety (Bushfire Mitigation) Amendment Regulations 2011*.

The Victorian Competition and Efficiency Commission (VCEC) assesses the adequacy of RISs as required under section 11 of the *Subordinate Legislation Act 1994* (the Act). I advise that the final version of the RIS received by the VCEC on 9 May 2011 meets the requirements of section 10 of the Act.

The VCEC's assessment 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, an assessment of adequacy by the VCEC does not represent an endorsement of the proposal.**

In the interests of transparency, most departments and agencies publish this assessment letter alongside the RIS when it is released for consultation. The VCEC recommends that you do the same.

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

Yours sincerely



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