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Dear Ms Saba

ADVICE ON THE ADEQUACY OF REGULATORY IMPACT STATEMENT

Thank you for seeking advice on the Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS) on the proposed *Education and Training Reform Act 2006 — Schedule of Teacher Registration Fees 2012-13*.

The Victorian Competition and Efficiency Commission (VCEC) advises on the adequacy of RISs as required under section 12H(3) of the *Subordinate Legislation Act 1994* (the Act). I advise that the final version of the RIS received by the VCEC on 16 July 2012 meets the requirements of section 12H 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.**

The RIS transparently shows that the proposed option will recover some of the costs of processing specific application types, including the fees for initial teacher registration, via the annual registration fee. This is because the Victorian Institute of Teaching considers that setting fees based on the full cost of processing applications for initial teacher registration may affect the decision of new teachers to register. The VCEC notes that the RIS invites stakeholder feedback on this issue.

It is Government policy that, in the interests of transparency, VCEC's advice be published with the RIS when it is released for public consultation.

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

Yours sincerely

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