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Mr Roger Armistead-Rainey Office of Water Department of Sustainability and Environment Level 16, 8 Nicholson St EAST MELBOURNE 3001

Dear Mr Armistead-Rainey

ASSESSMENT OF REGULATORY IMPACT STATEMENT

Thank you for seeking an assessment of the Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS) on the proposed Water (Subdivisional Easements and Reserves) 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 14 December 2010 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.

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 guestions, please contact RegulationReview@vcec.vic.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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