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Attorney-General's Department

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Clerk of the House of Representatives
House of Representatives Table Office
Attention: Documents Manager
Suite RG 89
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2006

Dear Clerk

Administrative Decisions (Judicial Review) Amendment (Enactments) Regulation 2015 – Revised Explanatory Statement

I enclose a revised Explanatory Statement for the *Administrative Decisions (Judicial Review) Amendment (Enactments) Regulation 2015* [F2015L00870]. This instrument was made pursuant to section 19B of the *Administrative Decisions (Judicial Review) Act 1977*, and amends Schedule 3 to that Act to include three Northern Territory Acts related to the regulation of electricity utilities.

On 13 August 2015, the Senate Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances wrote to the Attorney-General's Senior Adviser seeking a response to issues identified in the *Delegated legislation monitor* No. 8 of 2015, which noted that the accompanying Explanatory Statement did not meet the requirement of section 17 and section 26 of the *Legislative Instruments Act 2003*.

The Attorney-General's Department has amended the Explanatory Statement to confirm that consultation was undertaken with the all parties likely to be affected by the Regulation, including the Northern Territory Government, and the Commonwealth Departments of Finance, Industry and Science, the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Treasury. The revised Explanatory Statement has been approved by the Attorney-General, who is responsible for the *Administrative Decisions (Judicial Review) Act*.

Enclosed are two copies of the revised Explanatory Statement. I kindly request that you make arrangements to table the revised Explanatory Statement in the House of Representatives. A copy has been forwarded to the Federal Register of Legislative Instruments to replace the current Explanatory Statement registered on ComLaw.

If you have any queries, please contact Mary Wignall on (02) 6141 2736 or Jorja Wallace on (02) 6141 3062.

Yours sincerely

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