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Dear Ms Thompson

**REVIEW OF THE ROLE OF THE NATIONAL WIND FARM COMMISSIONER**

Thank you for your letter of 16 March 2018 inviting input to the review of the role of the National Wind Farm Commissioner (NWFC).

The role of the NWFC has generally been of benefit to the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP), particularly in the context of the Victorian Government's Renewable Energy Target of 25 per cent by 2020 and 40 per cent by 2025. The Victorian Government's commitments have supported a concomitant increase in development of large scale wind energy facilities are now being seen across Victoria.

The NWFC has provided useful insight to DELWP on the potential social impacts of this scale of change and the Commissioner has been proactive in offering the benefit of his experience to DELWP where he can assist. I would like to recognise the constructive role of the Commissioner working with our agency.

Any decision about the ongoing status of this role, its scope or its remuneration, is a matter for the Australian Government.

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Yours sincerely

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