

HVNL Review

Expert Panel

Meeting Record

Wednesday 8 April 2020

Chair: Peter Harris
Members: Sharon Middleton, Gary Mahon
NTC: Paul Davies, Jacqueline Dahl-Speck, Josie Thomas, Kirsten McKillop, Jeff Potter
Apologies: Gary Liddle, Andrew Ethell, Louise Bilato

Agenda Items

Item 1 Expert discussion on Consultation Regulatory Impact Statement (C-RIS)

- Panel members discussed the draft C-RIS and provided high-level feedback on the draft as a whole and on each chapter.
 - Panel members advised the NTC of various industry costs not currently represented in the draft C-RIS. Members emphasised the importance of providing a balanced analysis of industry and regulator costs.
 - The Panel reiterated its strong view that the efforts of the industry as a whole to continuously improve its safety record should be recognised in the C-RIS.
 - **ACTION 11.1:** NTC to address expert panel feedback on industry costs and improved safety record of industry.
 - Panel members provided specific and detailed comments on the excessive number of options in some chapters and advised that confusion that could result amongst stakeholders. As such, communication of where the NTCs preferences lie, as a separate document, was essential.
 - It was noted that Frontier Economics is developing the C-RIS in line with strict requirements of the Council of Australian Governments Guide for Best Practice Regulation.
 - It was noted that the NTC is developing a more concise summary document of around 20 pages, designed for a broad range of stakeholders.
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