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Taking all Options within this section: 5.3. Consideration of environmental impacts in the HTA into account.

Overall, to what extent could the options (if implemented) address the issues that relate to them? Address some but not most of the issue(s) $\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \left(\frac{1}{2$

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If you would like to expand on your answer above you can do so below:

Please see the attached letter. 149.1

If implemented, overall would these Options have a positive or negative impact on you (/your organisation)? - Environmental impact reporting

Environmental impact reporting

1. Reporting of environmental impacts, starting with embodied greenhouse gas emissions, in the assessment of cost-effectiveness by Australian HTA bodies.

Use process based life cycle assessment (LCA), which is precise, robust and evidence based. Ensure that scope 3 emissions are accurately captured and included in reporting. Avoid the use of environmentally extended input output (economic) studies for HTA

environmental assessments.1

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In summary, considering all the draft reform options together:

How confident are you that the reform options (if implemented) will make health technology assessments better overall?

Very confident 168

If you would like to expand on your answer above you can do so below:

We envisage environmental footprinting studies operating in tandem with future clinical trials of new health technologies. Environmental data will then be business as usual for a wide range of healthcare products. A requirement for environmental evidence as part of future HTA applications provides considerable motivation for manufacturers and sponsors to begin planning to collect data for LCA studies which will be of value to clinicians, consumers and the Australian population.

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Finally, do you have any further comments about the draft Options Paper or consultation you would like to make before submitting your feedback? Thank you for the opportunity to submit.

Do you have further comments or concerns to add specific to this topic that should be considered? For example, here you can detail any unintended consequences or overlooked considerations if applicable.