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5<sup>th</sup> September 2015

Dear Premier

## Transport Planning & Project Selection Process

I write on behalf of the members of the Institute of Transportation Engineers Australia and New Zealand Section (ITEANZ) which is a scientific and educational organisation representing transport professionals. Our members have extensive experience in all aspects of transport planning, project evaluation and program development.

We congratulate the Government on establishing Infrastructure Victoria. We expect that its work will be based on a robust and transparent approach to transport planning, project appraisal and community engagement.


We support the development of a longer term infrastructure strategy for Victoria which is based on a vision of how we as a community would like to see Victoria develop into the future. Community engagement in the development of this strategy is clearly fundamental. This infrastructure strategy must be based on an integrated transport and land use plan so that the infrastructure needs assessment reflects strategic priorities as well as metrics such as volume-capacity ratios and cost-effectiveness.

Further, we strongly agree that one of its key aims should be to seek multi-party support for its proposals. This will enable agreed, sound projects to continue with ongoing support when Governments change; expediting implementation, minimising costs and maximising community benefits. For these reasons, ITEANZ supports your Government's stated approach of refreshing rather than replacing Plan Melbourne.

As part of Infrastructure Victoria's strategy, we would encourage the Government to look beyond the physical assets and include planning for operations. Examining the operation (the service provided to transport users) can not only help identify opportunities to improve the productivity of assets, but also prepare for coming changes in transport use, including an ageing population and increasingly automated vehicles.

ITEANZ would like to offer representatives to work further with the Government in the development of Infrastructure Victoria and its processes. As a professional association, we would like to be kept informed of progress and we offer any assistance we can in establishing Infrastructure Victoria as early as possible.

Yours sincerely,



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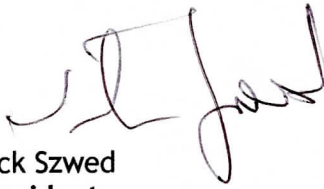
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