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29th June 2017

Dear Liz,

Re: Pacific Intermodal & Industrial Hub Project (PIIHP), Casino: NSW Government Fixing Country Rail Funding Application

In reference to your letter of the 19th May 2017, Australian Rail Track Corporation (ARTC) is pleased to support your application for funding for the development your proposed terminal under the NSW Fixing Country Rail Scheme.

We understand that this project involves the development of a rail freight terminal precinct at Nammoona (approximately 5 km north of Casino) in Northern NSW. The terminal development is on 35 hectares that includes industrial land designed to develop regional opportunities for local manufacturing, warehousing, cold stores, container storage and other infrastructure, that can connect directly with rail to offer a full rail-based supply chain solution. This terminal will be connected to the interstate rail network which ARTC maintains and manages.

We understand that a terminal development of this nature will facilitate additional growth of products from the North Coast region via the rail network for both export and domestic markets. We also support this development as it will remove the total reliance on road transport for the movement of products to and from this region. The project will enable local industries to access more cost-effective supply chain solutions supporting additional export and domestic markets, with the potential to increase sales and thereby returning benefits to the local economy. This type of development could also lead to the development of ancillary businesses supporting freight and logistic services with consequent additional local benefits.

As per our letter of 29th May 2017, ARTC have given PIIHP in-principle approval for the turnout concept designs and plans that will connect your rail hub to the ARTC mainline via the Nammoona Ballast siding at distance mark 810.1km.

ARTC have also reviewed your cost estimates for the proposed construction of the main turnout and connection to the ARTC network, and consider the cost estimates to be reasonable.

We wish you success in your application for funding for your project.

Yours sincerely



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