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Standing Committee on Infrastructure, Transport and Cities PO Box 6021 Parliament House, CANBERRA

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Dear Madam/Sir,

The role of transport connectivity on stimulating development and economic activity

Strategex welcomes the opportunity to make a submission to this significant inquiry.

In summary, Strategex submits that transport connectivity makes an important difference to economic activity, especially land values. The benefits of land value impacts, which are partly additional to travel time savings, are usually ignored by government agencies in Australia, distorting public investment decision making. Strategex asks the Committee to recommend changes to investment appraisal guidance to incorporate impacts of transport investments on land use.

These points are elaborated in the attached submission.

Yours faithfully

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