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Hon Mr Darren Chester MP Joint Select Committee on Road Safety Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Mr Chester

Thank you for your letter about the deployment of average speed cameras in the ACT.

The ACT Government supports the use of point-to-point cameras on our roads as an effective means for managing speed, reduced congestion, improved traffic flow and lowering carbon emissions resulting from less speed variation.

There is currently one fixed point to point camera system in operation on Hindmarsh Drive in Canberra's south. This camera covers a 2.8 km section of Hindmarsh Drive out of a total of 3,574 km roads in the ACT, or 0.1% of Territory roads. This camera monitors all traffic including light and heavy vehicles and motorcycles.

The ACT Government is currently conducting a full review of the ACT road safety camera program. This is due to be completed in mid-2022. The evaluation will assess the impact of the point-to-point system on reducing crashes and speed on ACT roads. The evaluation includes an investigation on available and emerging enforcement technology, with specific consideration to be given to mobile point to point cameras. Advice will be provided in the report on any improvements which could be made to the ACT road safety camera program. The ACT Government will consider this advice before any future expansion of the program is undertaken.

Thank you for raising this matter. I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

Chris Steel MLA Minister for Transport and City Services 19 February 2022