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Mr Russell Chafer
Committee Secretary
Standing Committee on Infrastructure and Communications
House of Representatives
PO Box 6021
Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Mr Chafer

Submission to the Standing Committee Inquiry into Infrastructure Planning and Procurement

Infrastructure Partnerships Australia welcomes the Standing Committee on Infrastructure and Communications' Inquiry into Infrastructure Planning and Procurement and is pleased to present a series of recent research papers which may assist the Committee in developing its findings.

Planning for the right infrastructure, to be delivered at the right time, in the most efficient manner, will be fundamental to addressing Australia's infrastructure challenges, and to meeting the demands of a modern economy and a growing population.

That is why the subject inquiry - alongside the Productivity Commission's Public Infrastructure Inquiry, the National Commission of Audit and the National Competition Policy Review, amongst others – represents an important opportunity to understand the challenges and complexities associated with infrastructure planning and delivery; and a further opportunity to articulate the pathways available to policy makers to deliver more and better infrastructure.

To assist the Committee, I am pleased to present the following reports from Infrastructure Partnerships Australia's research programme available at Appendix A:

- Road Pricing and Transport Infrastructure Funding: Reform Pathways for Australia (2014);
- Urban Transport Challenge: A role for road pricing in the Australian context (2010);
- Fixing NSW: A long-term plan for better infrastructure (2012);
- Re-Thinking Cities: A Strategy for Integrated Infrastructure (2012); and
- Integrating Australia's Transport Systems: A Strategy for an Efficient Transport Future (2012).

In addition to the attached research reports I would welcome the opportunity to meet with Committee members to discuss options to enhance approaches to infrastructure planning and procurement.

In the meantime, should you have any questions or if we can assist further please contact Adrian Dwyer, Infrastructure Partnerships Australia's Head of Policy on (02) 9240 2056 or adrian.dwyer@infrastructure.org.au

Yours sincerely


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Appendix A to Infrastructure Partnership Australia's Submission to the House of Representative's Standing Committee on Infrastructure and Communications' inquiry into Infrastructure Planning and Procurement.

- Road Pricing and Transport Infrastructure Funding: Reform Pathways for Australia (2014) can be accessed at:
<http://www.infrastructure.org.au/Content/RoadPricing.aspx>
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- Fixing NSW: A long-term plan for better infrastructure (2012) can be accessed at:
<http://www.infrastructure.org.au/Content/SubmissionInfrastructureNSW.aspx>
- Re-Thinking Cities: A Strategy for Integrated Infrastructure (2012) can be accessed at:
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