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Your Ref: Future Port Capacity

Dear Andrew

**Re: Preparing Advice on Victoria's Future Ports Capacity**

The City of Greater Geelong is very proud of its strong relationships with local community leaders and businesses. Together we have developed a number of strategies ( G21 Regional Growth Plan, G21 Regional Growth Plan Implementation Plan and Geelong Port - City 2050) that highlight the regional and state significance of the existing port facility in Geelong and identify the opportunities through infrastructure planning to increase through put capacity. Further to your recent communication with Victoria Regional Channel Authority and Simon Jackson in Enterprise Geelong I can confirm that this project is so important to our city that we have agreed to work together to provide a very clear regional view to Infrastructure Victoria and the State Government.


Our online submission has been prepared in consultation with the following organisations:

- G21 Region Alliance
- Committee for Geelong
- Avalon Airport
- Geelong Chamber of Commerce
- Victoria Regional Channel Authority (Technical advice only)
- Geelong Manufacturing Council
- City of Wyndham
- Leadwest
- Committee for Wyndham
- Western Transport Alliance

All of these groups would be keen to be involved in a forum with your team in October to discuss the issues in more detail and to assist with filling any information gaps. We have an on going relationship with the Port of Geelong and it would be good to include them together with Trades Hall and Deakin University at that time as well as a number local port industries and consultants who have experience in this issue.

The City of Greater Geelong, the councils in Melbourne's west and communities of the combined regions are committed to assisting Infrastructure Victoria with their process to ensure sufficient information is available to provide a clear recommendation and that Geelong and the western suburbs continue to play a vital role in freight and logistics for the State.

Yours sincerely



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