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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to Report No. 10 of the State Development and Regional Industries Committee titled – Examination of Auditor-General Report 14: 2019–20 - *Evaluating major infrastructure projects* tabled on 21 June 2021.

I accept the committee's recommendation that the Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning (the department) take steps to ensure that the relevant recommendations (Recommendations 1 and 3) contained in the Auditor-General's report are assigned to the department for implementation and reporting purposes. The department will work directly with the Queensland Audit Office to ensure this occurs.

The Queensland Government remains deeply committed to robust and effective assessment to support investment decision-making. Following the integration of Building Queensland into the department, the department now performs an enhanced, centralised role in infrastructure planning and assessment. It now supports agencies by providing expert, scalable advice and assurance support for major infrastructure proposals. These new arrangements are set out in the Infrastructure Proposal Development Policy (the policy).

The department has been further considering the committee's recommendations as part of implementing the policy, which has led to a delay in responding within three months of the committee report being tabled.

In accordance with section 107 of the *Parliament of Queensland Act 2001*, I request that this letter be tabled today as the interim and final response to the Committee report.

Yours sincerely

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