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Mr Neil Laurie
The Clerk of the Parliament
Parliament House
George Street
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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petition numbers 2870-18 and 2827-17 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr Michael Crandon MP, Member for Coomera on 15 February 2018, about the need to upgrade the Pacific Motorway (M1) Ormeau Interchange (Exit 45).

As advised in the response to petition 2768-17 and 2800-17 tabled on 8 September 2017, the Queensland Government is aware that ongoing rapid industrial and residential development in the northern Gold Coast area is adding pressure to already busy M1 interchanges. In response to this, the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) is currently conducting planning studies for short-and long-term upgrades of various interchanges on the M1, including at Exit 45. The primary objective of this planning is to identify solutions that increase the safety of off-ramp queueing at these interchanges. This planning includes taking into consideration traffic flows through and around the interchanges, as well as connecting road planning by the City of Gold Coast.

With regards to Exit 45, TMR is currently investigating a number of upgrades as part of this planning, including reconstructing the current southbound off-ramp and/or constructing an additional southbound off-ramp just north of the southbound on-ramp.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

MARK BAILEY MP

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