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Mr Neil Laurie The Clerk of the Parliament Parliament House Cnr Alice and George Streets BRISBANE QLD 4000

Dear Mr Laurie Neil

Thank you for your letter of 24 May 2013 regarding the petition, requesting the Queensland Government continue support for the Townsville 400 to ensure the event continues beyond the current in Townsville.

The contract for the Townsville 400 is managed by Tourism and Events Queensland (TEQ) and is currently in place with the event organisers, V8 Supercars Australia until after the 2013 event.

The Government recognises the value of major events and their potential to deliver significant economic and tourism outcomes for the host region. TEQ is continuing discussions with V8 Supercars Australia with an outcome anticipated in the coming months.

Should you wish to discuss the Townsville 400 further, I recommend you contact Ms Kirsten Herring, Tourism and Events Queensland on (07) 3222 1000.

Thank you again for the time you have taken to write to me about the Townsville 400 and for your support of the event.

Yours sincerely

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