

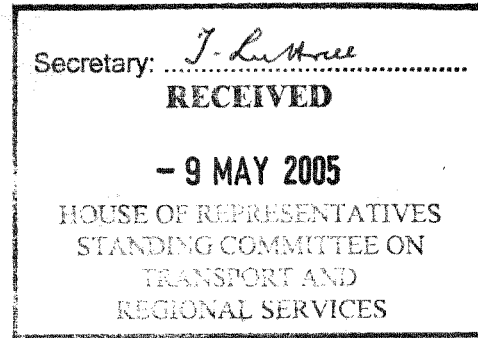
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Standing Committee on Transport and Regional Services
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600



Dear Sir/Madam

Your letter dated 19th of April 2005, inviting a submission to the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Transport and Regional Services on the Inquiry into the Integration of Regional Road and Rail Networks and their Connectivity to Ports, is acknowledged.

Regional Development South Australia is the peak body for the 13 Regional Development Boards in this State and I anticipate that those Boards will respond in their own right where they deem it appropriate.

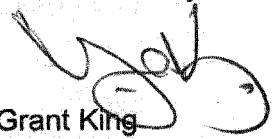
Can I take this opportunity however, to make the point that in addition to a number of Ports in regional South Australia, which are predominantly focused on grain exports, that the Port of Adelaide is also a critical Port for much of regional South Australia's primary production exports. In that context, road and rail networks in South Australia connecting to that central Port are paramount.

In addition to our economic development initiatives nationally, the South Australia Strategic Plan has as two of its primary objectives, increased export activities and a focus on infrastructure development, as a means of facilitating further economic growth in the State.

RDSA welcomes this particular inquiry in the expectation that the importance of effective and adequate infrastructure, which facilitates export development, will be further recognised and lead to much needed investment support in South Australia.

Thank you for the opportunity to make a brief comment and I trust that further more detailed responses will be forthcoming from other Agencies.

Yours sincerely


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