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Dear Mr Senior

Thank you for your correspondence dated 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2010 to the Hon. Anthony Albanese, Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government enclosing a copy of your submission to the NSW Metropolitan Strategy Review. As your correspondence relates to improved integration of land use and transport infrastructure, the Minister has referred your submission to my office for consideration.

Your submission to the Metropolitan Strategy Review focuses on the merits of air space development within the rail network and how such development could contribute to a range of positive land use, transport, and fiscal outcomes.

My office, including the Major Cities Unit which is collocated with Infrastructure Australia, shares your views about the need to obtain maximum benefits from land and infrastructure assets. There is clearly much scope for air space development above rail assets, particularly at key stations and interchanges, and I commend you for presenting a strong case for such development in your submission to the NSW Minister for Planning, Infrastructure and Lands.

Infrastructure Australia is also exploring how the Australian Governments' investments in infrastructure may leverage greater urban development outcomes, such as those you describe.

Thank you for your contribution to the NSW debate. It is also of relevance in other States and Territories.

Yours since rely,

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