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Mr Neil Laurie
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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to a petition, number 2802-17, lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr Michael Crandon MP, Member for Coomera, on 9 August 2017 about the northbound off ramp at the Pacific Motorway (M1) Pimpama interchange (Exit 49).

As advised in the response to petition 2710-17, tabled on 22 June 2017, the Department of Transport and Main Roads has investigated options to reduce queue lengths on the Exit 49 northbound off ramp.

The objective of this work was to determine the best staged and long-term solutions that increase safety at Exit 49 while taking into consideration traffic flows through and around the interchange, as well as connecting to the City of Gold Coast's road network.

In the interim, as also advised in the response to petition 2710-17, the developer of Pimpama City Shopping Centre was conditioned by the Department of Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning (DILGP) to add 150 metres of new lane capacity at both Exit 49 off ramps. This will substantially reduce vehicle queuing towards the motorway through lanes.

DILGP has since conditioned the developer of land at Yawalpah Road for a bulky goods and home maker centre adjacent the motorway, to provide roundabout approach metering for specific approaches to both the east and west Exit 49 roundabout. This metering will also assist with reducing queuing towards the motorway through lanes.

I thank the petitioners for their continued interest in this important road safety issue.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Steven Miles." The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

DR STEVEN MILES MP
Acting Minister for Main Roads, Road Safety and Ports