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Committee Secretary
Transport and Public Works Committee
Parliament House

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for the opportunity to consider the issues raised by this inquiry into the operations of toll roads within Queensland.

I use the Clem 7 to travel to work but, my preference is to use the inner city bypass. However, due to price of the toll on this tunnel I will only use the tunnel for the return trip home under exceptional circumstances. The current toll for the Clem 7 is at the limit as to what I am prepared to pay. If my existing parking options were to change and I was required to pay for car parking I would cease to use the tunnel. It would not be economically viable for me to do both.

A significant concern for me regarding toll roads is whether the network of toll roads will be expanded. I would be extremely concerned if in the future there were any proposals to sell existing roads to private operators. I do not believe that this would be an acceptable solution. Should there be any additional toll roads, tunnels or bridges considered, I believe that they should be limited to new construction only. Furthermore, existing roads should not be modified to force drivers into using new or existing toll roads. For example, the creation of choke points by only having one lane available on non-toll roads whilst the other lanes direct drivers into the toll road. I understand that this has occurred in other states.

I would also be concerned if the contracts for the development of future toll infrastructure guaranteed the future owner, minimum vehicle numbers using the toll road and where there was a shortfall of the target, that the tax payer or rate payer would make up the difference.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely,

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