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**Dear Matt** 

## **Sydney Harbour HighLine**

Thank you meeting with us on 23<sup>rd</sup> May and discussing the Sydney Harbour HighLine (SHHL) project. At the meeting we agreed to provide further information to you on Sydney Trains' estimated costing and on the position of North Sydney Council in relation to the project.

Firstly, in terms of Sydney Trains' estimated costing, we understand Sydney Trains obtained an "Estimate of Cost" from a Quantity Surveyor (QS), a summary of which is provided on page 64 of the "Report from the Premier's Committee". Sydney Trains chose not to share their QS Report with the Premier's Committee. We are currently assembling the information we have which may provide further detail on Sydney Trains' estimated costings and we will send it to you next week.

Secondly, as advised when we met, the SHHL project has the full support of North Sydney Council. To illustrate, I attach:

- Email from Chris Muir, Chief of Staff to Minister for Transport and Infrastructure, 9<sup>th</sup> June 2017
- North Sydney Council minutes, 26<sup>th</sup> June 2017
- Email re planning process from Director of Strategy, North Sydney Council, 30<sup>th</sup> April 2018
- Letter of support from General Manager, North Sydney Council, 15<sup>th</sup> May 2018.

Since our meeting David Bowman has had discussions with David Bennett, Transport Heritage and we are currently putting together a package for Transport Heritage. We will keep you informed.

We understand you will appoint a staff member to the project with whom we can liaise on a regular basis. We look forward to hearing more from you on this issue.

Again, thank you for your time. We enjoyed meeting you and we look forward to working with you and your colleagues and bringing this exciting project to fruition.

Yours sincerely

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Secretary

Cc: Howard Collins, Chief Operations Officer, Transport for New South Wales