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Adelaide Rail Freight Movements Study
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To whom it may concern

Re: Adelaide Rail Freight Movements Study

In regards to the Adelaide Rail Freight Movement Study, Council has considered the report in a Council meeting on 16 November 2009 and offers the following comments.

Council would prefer Options 2 and 3 which involve a Northern Bypass which re-routes freight so that it no longer passes through the Mount Barker area. This will remove amenity issues associated with the existing line and will ensure that further nuisance is not caused by construction work. Furthermore if these options were utilised the direction of freight to Monarto would assist in reducing Council's environmental footprint.

However if these options are implemented then Council seeks advice on whether the re-use of the existing track for public transport or residential use may be an option and whether this would impact on the potential for an interchange from the freeway at Monarto.

In regards to alternative options 1, 4 and 5, Council asks that if these do occur that steps be taken to reduce the noise issues associated with the train network on D.C. of Mount Barker residents. In the event that Option 4, which involves a new by-pass through the southern area of the D.C. Mount Barker, we ask that further consultation with Council regarding traffic, amenity and heritage occurs as we would be prepared to look at the benefits, or otherwise, of Option 4.

If you have any questions regarding this please contact Rachael Finn on 8391 7275.

Yours sincerely

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