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Dear Director

**EXHIBITION OF STATE SIGNIFICANT INFRASTRUCTURE APPLICATION
INLAND RAIL – ALBURY TO ILLABO - APPLICATION NUMBER SSI-10055**

June Shire Council (JSC) welcomes the opportunity to make a submission in relation to Inland Rail's (IR) Albury to Illabo (A2I) Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). We respectfully request a two-week extension to make further submissions on this significant infrastructure application given the importance of this project to the June Shire and the concurrent exhibition of IR Illabo to Stockinbingal EIS.

Attached is a summary of JSC's key concerns, recommendations and comments relating to the project. While JSC supports the intention of IR for the movement of freight, Council submits the project will have major impacts on local infrastructure and the wider community within the June Local Government Area during the construction and ongoing operation of the upgraded network. JSC submits these concerns have not been adequately addressed or assessed in the EIS.

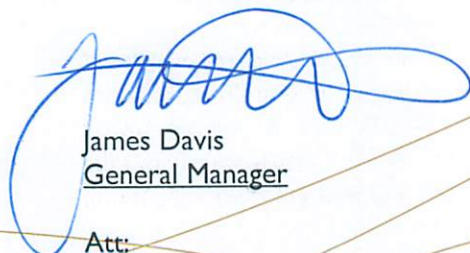
JSC considers based on the information made available, the following objectives of the IR program and proposal have not been met:

- Improve road safety, ease congestion and reduce environmental impacts by moving freight from road to rail.
- Minimise the potential for environmental and community impacts by maximising use of the existing rail corridor.

While efforts have been made to address some of the concerns JSC have highlighted during the engagement process, such as the separation of a pedestrian bridge crossing for Kemp Street Bridge, it must be stressed the project should accommodate improving affected infrastructure if the current infrastructure is not compliant with appropriate standards. To undertake anything less is a critical concern for JSC and our community.

There are numerous issues outlined in the attached summary and we welcome further engagement to rectify these highlighted concerns as the project progresses.

Yours faithfully



James Davis
General Manager

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