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Meriton Group  
Light Rail Submission

I am writing on behalf of Meriton Group to express our support for the CBD & South East Light Rail (CSELR) project. We join with our industry peers Committee for Sydney, Tourism Transport Forum, the Tourism Accommodation Association and others in welcoming this vital integrated transport link for the city of Sydney.

We applaud the efforts of the Department of Transport and the Department of Planning and Infrastructure, as well as Randwick City, the City of Sydney and Leichhardt Municipal Councils in consulting with community and industry to bring this project to fruition.

We also advocate a motion to extend the light rail to Sydney's Eastgardens, a request previously made by Botany Bay City Council Mayor Ben Keneally who has proposed a convenient route along Banks Avenue from Daceyville to Westfield Eastgardens. Meriton is building one of its largest apartment projects to date in Pagewood, producing more than 2,000 apartments on the site of the old British Tobacco Factory. Residents in the many existing developments along this proposed route would also benefit greatly. We acknowledge the needs of our many anticipated residents and visitors for improved infrastructure and public transport in this area. An extension of 2.4 kilometres beyond Kingsford and Randwick would be a boon for the local economy and the community alike, bring relief from overcrowding and bus delays, and allow for greater integration with public transport at Westfield Eastgardens shopping centre.

Kind regards,

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