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Major Projects Assessment
Department of Planning and Infrastructure
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Re: Aurizon Train Support Facility at Hexham

Dear Sir/Madam,

Pacific National is a major freight train operator with extensive coal haulage operations and general freight haulage operations in the Hunter Valley.

Pacific National has recently opened a train support facility at Greta in the Hunter Valley, and we support the construction of the Aurizon train support facility at Hexham.

Pacific National supports the construction of this facility at Hexham as we believe that, given appropriate coal supply chain planning, this facility will improve the efficiency of coal loading operations at Newcastle coal terminals, and in doing so will contribute to a reduction of congestion in the Hunter Valley coal supply chain.

Pacific National's concern is that the rail facilities released at Newcastle coal terminals as a result of the construction of this train support facility be used to ensure that Hunter Valley coal supply chain congestion be reduced.

Please feel free to contact me on 0404 048 742 should you wish to discuss this letter.

Regards



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