

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **Staysafe Committee Report Helps Show the Way Ahead**

The [Australian Logistics Council](#) (ALC) has welcomed the [report](#) released by the NSW Parliament's Joint Standing Committee on Road Safety (Staysafe), following its [Inquiry Into Heavy Vehicle Safety and Use of Technology to Improve Road Safety](#).

"The Staysafe Committee has done a thorough job in exploring the complex issues involved in heavy vehicle safety, and the recommendations in the report should be used by the NSW Government to build further momentum for national reform," said ALC Managing Director Michael Kilgariff.

"As the [Positon Paper](#) ALC tabled during our appearance before the Staysafe Committee clearly states, we maintain that the introduction of both mandatory telematics and National Operating Standards will be essential to deliver significant safety improvements."

"It is positive to see that the report notes there are proven technologies in existence which can enhance road safety, and that *"promotion of these technologies is to us an obvious path for regulators and industry to follow."*

"ALC welcomes the recommendation that the *"NSW Government adopt a consistent policy on the installation of telematics in heavy vehicles"*, and we urge the NSW Government to continue its [leadership](#) on these matters," Mr Kilgariff said.

"One of the key [outcomes](#) at last week's meeting of the Transport and Infrastructure Council (TIC) was an agreement by all jurisdictions to examine *"a national approach to heavy vehicle accreditation schemes"*, as well as to improve *"the introduction and uptake of safety technologies in the heavy vehicle fleet."*

"No one has a greater interest in enhancing safety in the heavy vehicle sector than the industry itself, and senior industry leaders are more than willing to play their part in facilitating the introduction of clear, nationally-consistent safety measures."

"After more than a decade of discussion about the capacity of telematics and National Operating Standards to improve heavy vehicle safety, ALC believes the time has come for decisive action."

"As an industry leader, ALC will continue working with the NSW Government and with all jurisdictions to pursue the introduction of mandatory telematics and National Operating Standards, so that real progress can be made in enhancing heavy vehicle safety," he concluded.

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