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WestConnex Deal Offers Chance To Boost NSW Freight Infrastructure

The [Australian Logistics Council](#) (ALC) has welcomed today's announcement that the NSW Government's divestment of 51% of the Sydney Motorway Corporation will provide an additional \$9.3 billion to invest in other crucial infrastructure projects.

"Australia's rapid rate of population growth is placing enormous pressure on our freight infrastructure networks," said ALC Interim CEO, Lachlan Benson.

"ALC has long supported asset recycling initiatives as an effective way to provide the capital needed to invest in the next generation of Australia's freight infrastructure and alleviate capacity constraints."

"Making an additional \$9.3 billion available for the NSW Government will prove enormously beneficial in terms of constructing the sort of projects that will be needed to meet a rapidly growing freight task."

"In particular, ALC hopes the NSW Government will now use this opportunity to address projects of crucial importance to the freight logistics industry, including the Sydney Gateway project, connecting WestConnex to Port Botany and to Sydney Airport," Mr Benson said.

"This significant dividend to the NSW Government should be used to invest in projects that will help alleviate road congestion, which causes frustration for motorists, imposes significant costs on freight logistics operators and ultimately places upward pressure on consumer prices."

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