

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

## **Logistics Industry Welcomes New ARTC CEO**

The <u>Australian Logistics Council</u> (ALC) has congratulated the incoming CEO of the Australian Rail Track Corporation (ARTC) Mr. Mark Campbell on his appointment and looks forward to working with him to further enhance national freight rail efficiency and safety.

"ARTC has been a long-standing Corporate Member of ALC and our organisations have worked together closely to secure regulatory and investment outcomes that support the vital role rail plays in Australia's national freight network," said ALC CEO Kirk Coningham.

"In particular, the decision of the Federal Government to fund the construction of Inland Rail in 2017 was a watershed moment, following many years of advocacy by our organisation and the leading transport and logistics companies were represent."

"The construction of this 1700km freight rail link between Melbourne and Brisbane is already delivering economic and employment benefits to regional communities, and its completion will be vital in allowing Australia to efficiently meet a growing freight task and build new domestic and international trade opportunities."

"Mr. Campbell's extensive prior experience in the construction and infrastructure sectors means he is well-placed to continue driving the improvements to rail infrastructure and safety which are at the heart of all ARTC's activities."

"ALC also takes this opportunity to again acknowledge the substantial contribution that retiring CEO John Fullerton has made in his role since 2011."

"John's industry expertise, customer focus and his passion for enhancing rail's role in the national supply chain has helped to shape ALC's policy positions over many years. He has been a strong supporter of ALC's activities and events for his entire tenure and has regularly presented at ALC Forum over many years."

"The success of the industry-led Inland Rail Conference first staged by ALC and the Australasian Railway Association (ARA) in Parkes in 2018 and then in Toowoomba last year was greatly enhanced by ARTC's active support, and in particular by John's commitment to ensuring regional communities share in the economic benefits of this once-in-a-generation freight infrastructure project."

"ALC looks forward to working closely with Mr Campbell and the entire ARTC team when he takes up his new position."

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