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TIME TO ACHIEVE HVNL CONSENSUS

Today the Australian Logistics Council (ALC) presented to the Infrastructure and Transport Ministers Meeting (ITMM) and called for all levels of government to proceed with implementing the recommendations of the Kanofski review into Heavy Vehicle National Law (HVNL).

ALC joined other industry associations, NatRoads and the Australian Trucking Association, to provide industry views on the outcomes of the review.

ALC CEO, Dr Hermione Parsons welcomed the recommendations of the Kanofski review and noted that industry participants wanted to see tangible progress on the HVNL.

“We acknowledge the critical importance of getting the review of HVNL right and ensuring that those developing the new law are engaged with those the law impacts.

“This review has gone on for some time and with the Kanofski review complete, it is the view of ALC that we have reached a point of consensus – that it is time for progress, it is time to get on with the job of implementing the Kanofski review and providing a frustrated industry with an action plan for a safer, more productive road transport sector,” Dr Parsons said.

Despite the years of delay, ALC’s position is the Kanofski review has achieved positive progress.

ALC’s Head of Government and Policy, Rachel Smith said it was time to achieve consensus and noted a number of ALC proposals had been adopted in the review.

“ALC appreciates the opportunity to present to ITMM and we now want to move ahead with the recommendations of the Kanofski review, as a holistic package.

“ALC welcomes Kanofski recommending a number of our positions in regard to the law, on productivity improvement as an objective of the law, fatigue enforcement, safety management systems and a national audit system,” Ms Smith said.

ALC awaits the outcomes of ITMM and reiterates the call to move ahead with drafting legislation.

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