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Dear Mr Munro

INVESTIGATION INTO THE DEATH OF NICHOLAS B CARR

Thank you for your letter of 9 December 2016 to the Secretary about the investigation into the death of Nicholas B Carr. The Secretary has asked me to respond on his behalf. I understand that a departmental representative has spoken to your office about this matter.

On behalf of the Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources, I offer condolences to Mr Carr's family and friends.

I note that VicRoads (copy of correspondence attached) has provided a response to the Coroner's recommendation. The purpose of this letter is to confirm that the department supports VicRoads' response. However, I wish to emphasise that across the transport portfolio VicRoads, its road safety partners and the department regularly review data, research and policy on fitness to drive. We will continue to do so with a view to reducing harm to others and preventing deaths and injuries.

Ensuring fitness to drive is an important policy area given the aging profile of our population. It is recognised that risks are increasing, that the effectiveness of regulatory interventions need to be carefully monitored and that alternative options need to be regularly investigated and evaluated. Be assured that this will remain a priority area for further policy consideration.

For further information, please contact Ms Robyn Seymour, Director, Road User and Vehicle Access on (03) 9854 2550.

Yours sincerely

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