

Ref:FOL/11/6921

Judge Jennifer Coate State Coroner Coroners Court of Victoria Level 11, 222 Exhibition Street MELBOURNE VIC 3000



Dear Judge Coate,

Subject: Court References 2443/08

I refer to your letter dated 25 August 2011 in which you request I provide a response to your recommendation stemming from the inquest into the death of Michael Joseph Brennan.

You have made the following recommendations:

- 1. That Westfield Group review the current design and operation of that part of the bus terminal at Southland that exits on to Karen Street to consider whether or not safety could be enhanced by traffic lights or signs being used to control the movement of buses on to Karen Street and that the outcome of that review be provided to Transport Safety Victoria.
- 2. That, in the context of the facts in this finding, Transport Safety Victoria review the current safety warning signs and awareness campaigns and literature available around busy and complex bus terminals with a particular focus on inexperienced bus travellers to enhance awareness of the safety hazards for pedestrians around buses taking off.

Transport Safety Victoria (TSV) welcomes the opportunity to consider these important issues and I advise that:

- A representative of Westfield Group has advised TSV they are considering your recommendation and will provide TSV with a report shortly,
- TSV has undertaken a review of a number of shopping centre bus terminals and is in the
 process of preparing a report and we anticipate providing you with the report early in the
 New Year.

In you have any queries please contact Andrew Chlebica on telephone 9655 6873 or email andrew.chlebica@transportsafety.vic.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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Dated: 21 November 201

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