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Ms Colleen Bebbington  
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Dear Ms Bebbington

**INVESTIGATION INTO THE DEATH OF LUDMILA SEZONENKO  
YOUR REFERENCE – COR 2021 003812**

Thank you for your letter dated 3 August 2022 regarding Coroner Simon McGregor's investigation into the death of Ms Ludmila Sezonenko who was involved in a motor vehicle incident on the Monash Freeway at the Heatherton Road overpass in Doveton. The Department of Transport (DoT) wishes to take this opportunity to express condolences to the family and friends of Ms Sezonenko for their loss.

It is noted that Coroner McGregor has made the following recommendation in paragraph 25 of COR 2021 003812:

*"I recommend that VicRoads install lighting under the Heatherton Road overpass to improve visibility on this section of the Monash Freeway."*

Provision of street lighting along the arterial and freeway network is based on *VicRoads Guidelines to Street Lighting* and Australian Standards. Accordingly, streetlights are provided at targeted freeway locations including intersections and locations requiring road users to make travel decisions (like merging/diverging when entering and exiting freeways at ramps).

While there are no immediate plans to review and change the provision of lighting at this or other locations along Monash Freeway, DoT will consider the need for such changes as part of any planned freeway upgrade for consideration in a future program in a state-wide context.

Should you require further information, Mr Jason Stakic, Manager Movement & Safety (Tel: 0472 806 463), would be pleased to assist.

Yours sincerely

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