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Attn: NSW Freight Policy Reform Panel

Re: *Freight Policy Reform: Interim Directions Paper*

Thank you for the opportunity for Port Authority of New South Wales (Port Authority) to provide feedback regarding the *Freight Policy Reform: Interim Directions Paper*.

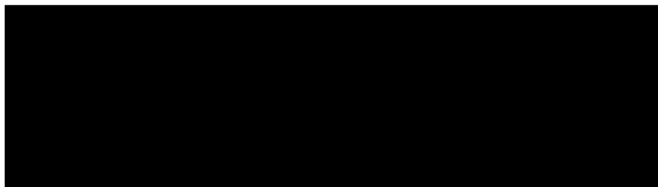
Port Authority supports the Panel's interim views on the way to progress freight reform in NSW, in particular the inclusion of section 3.4 Glebe Island - Sydney Harbour, and section 3.8 actions and directions for strategic planning and industrial land:

- Section 3.8.1 4. *Support government consideration of the future of Bays West precinct, particularly ensuring the value and unique opportunity offered at Glebe Island and White Bay are understood and*
- Section 3.8.2 7. *The NSW Government should reconsider any plans, and carefully scrutinise any proposals, to rezone land at Glebe Island and White Bay for housing developments with a focus on protecting freight infrastructure, particularly irreplaceable port infrastructure.*

These actions and directions recognise the strategic importance of Glebe Island as the last remaining deep water bulk commodity berths for port access to the city of Sydney. They also emphasise Glebe Island's strategic importance as the only state government owned commercial port in NSW safeguarding a unique asset in perpetuity and diversifying the sector dominated by private ownership.

Port Authority appreciates the NSW Government's commitment to developing a comprehensive freight policy and look forward to continued collaboration.

Yours sincerely



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