Our ref MC8466

Your ref 334-04 and 349-04

Mr Neil Laurie The Clerk of the Parliament Parliament House George Streets Brisbane Qld 4000

Dear Mr Laurie

## Re: Petition Nos 972 and 1146: the intersection of Broadwater and Crescent Avenues, Hope Island

I refer to the petition lodged by Mrs Peta-Kaye Croft MP, Member for Broadwater, in Parliament on 18 August 2004 regarding the intersection of Broadwater and Crescent Avenues, Hope Island.

With recent rapid development around Hope Island, traffic volumes have increased markedly and this has impacted on the operation of many intersections, including the Broadwater and Crescent Avenues intersection.

Officers of the Department of Main Roads are continuing to investigate improvement options at this intersection, including both short and long-term proposals. Main Roads officers have already discussed various improvement options with Mrs Croft and the Principal Petitioner, Mrs Hellen Milner.

Main Roads has now finalised the investigation and design of a short-term improvement involving linemarking modifications to provide protected right-hand turning lanes on Broadwater Avenue, along with speed limit modifications. Provided final consultation is positive, I expect these interim improvements will be able to be implemented within the next few months. Long-term planning for major four-lane upgrading along the length of Hope Island Road, which includes Broadwater Avenue, is continuing and this planning will identify the most appropriate final arrangement of the Broadwater Crescent Avenues intersection.

I have arranged for an electronic copy of this response to be forwarded to your office.

Yours sincerely

PAUL LUCAS MP Minister for Transport and Main Roads