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Dear Eastern Transport Coalition,

Thank you for your correspondence regarding the Eastern Transport Coalition's 2018 election scorecard. While the Liberal Nationals have already announced a number of specific public transport policies, **these announcements will continue in the usual fashion in the lead up to November 24.**

We have, for example, already announced our intention, if elected, to duplicate the Hurstbridge railway line between Greensborough and Eltham, to extend the Frankston line to Baxter and to duplicate the Dandenong to Cranbourne line and extend it to Cranbourne East and Clyde, providing much needed transport alternatives to these rapidly growing populations.

Additionally, a Liberal Nationals Government will revolutionise Victoria's passenger rail network by delivering European-style high speed rail right across Victoria.

Melbourne's population squeeze is putting enormous stress on our roads, public transport, schools and hospitals and that impacts everyone's quality of life. Unplanned, unmanaged population growth is killing Melbourne's liveability.

Bringing Victoria's cities closer together with European-style high speed rail is the cornerstone of the Liberal Nationals plan to ease the population squeeze by decentralising our jobs and our population.

European-style high speed rail to regional cities will also give Victorians more options for affordable housing, more lifestyle choices and more employment opportunities.

Reaching speeds of up to 200 kilometres per hour, Victoria's new high speed rail network will be the fastest in Australia.

A Liberal Nationals Government will also fund two new fleets of new-generation, faster, inter-city flyer and long haul variants of the successful V/Locity trains which will provide better comfort and leg room, safety and amenity for passengers. The first fleet of high speed trains will be delivered in the first term of government with a second fleet of possible double-deck models to follow.

Traffic congestion is choking Melbourne's suburbs and it's only getting worse under Daniel Andrews.

Of course, our commitment to build both the North East Link and, unlike Daniel Andrews who wasted \$1.3 billion on not building it, an East West Link, will impact positively on road transport to and from the Eastern Region Group of Councils.

The Liberal Nationals will also remove 55 of Melbourne and Geelong's most dangerous and congested intersections. 35 intersections have been identified. Another 20 intersections will be identified following community consultation and feedback. Your residents can have their say on which intersection they think needs to be fixed at: [GetVictoriaMoving.com.au](http://GetVictoriaMoving.com.au)

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'David Davis', with a stylized flourish above the name.

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