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Subject: Re: OSCAR presentation re proposal for Trial Express Bus Services.

Good evening George

Greg Smith indicated to Council, at last week's Transport Community Reference Group meeting, that OSCAR would provide you with the latest version of our Mass Transport presentation for distribution to all members of the TCGR.

The presentation is attached.

Despite some comments that were made at the meeting, I would like to reiterate that our proposal is for the trial of zero-emission express bus-based services; it is not advocating for a free bus trial. The references to free buses in our presentation relate firstly to free bus provisions by Noosa Council, which show councils can fund initiatives in public transport, and secondly, an acknowledgement that targeted free bus trials may have a place in the trials we are advocating for.

We are aware the SCRC has conducted free bus trials in the past but more contemporaneous trials may be worth consideration.

I would also like to take this opportunity to ask for a formal response from the Council to our proposal. Such a response could indicate the extent of Council support for all, or part, of our proposal and specific actions the Council would be willing to undertake. The response may well include Council initiatives that are already in process, and which we may be unaware of.

Regards,

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President OSCAR