

# Bulletin

## Commercial Vehicle Industry Association (Vic)



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Dear Member

The Commercial Vehicle Industry of Australia (CVIAA) recently submitted a response to the National Transport Commission's 'Reforms to Heavy Vehicle National Law (HVNL): Consultation Regulation Impact Statement'. This review is a once in ten-year opportunity to re-evaluate the current law and how it functions in practice.

In summary, CVIAA's response strongly supports a national approach to road transport; but contends the HVNL, and its regulations, are a community asset and not just a regulatory instrument. With this in mind, CVIAA hopes to see a measurable improvement in the conditions experienced by industry as a result of law reform.

The response details 14 key recommendations, including the call to establish a National Heavy Vehicle Ombudsman within the HVNL framework to assist with consultation, review and appeal processes.

Members are invited to read the submission in full by clicking on the cover below.

### Response to the National Transport Commission's Reforms to Heavy Vehicle National Law (HVNL): Consultation Regulation Impact Statement

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CVIAA President, Mr Clive Polley wishes to thank the contribution of CVIAA members, from across all member states. Special thanks is also extended to Dr Peter Hart for his guidance and specialist expertise in the development of this submission.

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***About the Commercial Vehicle Industry Association of Australia***

*The Commercial Vehicle Industry Association of Australia (CVIAA) is a national peak industry association that represents suppliers of parts, services, repairs, and modifications to the Australian heavy road freight sector. It sits as an industry-specific association within the Motor Trades Association of Australia (MTAA). CVIAA's members include the Motor Trades Association of Western Australian, Motor Trades Association of South Australia and Northern Territory, Motor Trades Association of New South Wales, Motor Trades Association of Queensland, the Victorian Automotive Chamber of Commerce, and the Tasmanian Automotive Chamber of Commerce, representing approximately 1300 members operating within the commercial vehicle sector across Australia.*