Inquiry Name: Inquiry into VicRoads' Management of Country Roads

Mr Alan Gray

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Refering to the condition of roads managed by Vic Roads. We arrived in Victoria just over one year ago from the UK and quickly discovered the appalling state of roads across the region. With an ever increasing population and surge in car numbers which would substantially increase the revenue for Vic roads, there is very little being done to improve the safety and condition of large stretches of roads across the board. From soft edges and pot holes to the more dangerous rutted, shoving, depressing and cracking areas which are woefully repaired with a cheap and fast job. The same repairs each time by method of dropping a pour of tar into the problem only to see it reappear within weeks. Night time driving has to be avoided on some routes as the safety concerns are immediate. It would not be ridiculous to declare some roads no better than third world standard. We ask ourselves why we pay Vic roads any fees who they do not deliver safe roads. Vic roads answer to the problems are to place road hazard signs everywhere but these can be there for months. It is appalling and embarrassing to drive on such hazardous roads which have been degraded by ignorance. Perhaps Vic roads should asses how to construct a road base professionally using proper materials instead of seeing most of their network suffer from a wave effect or roller coaster ride.

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