

19 December 2019

Hon Phil Twyford  
Minister of Transport  
Parliament Buildings  
Wellington 6160

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Dear Minister

**Funding assistance to the Ministry of Transport – Auckland Light Rail**

Thank you for your letter dated 9 December 2019 requesting ongoing assistance of \$2 million from Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency to ensure that the Ministry of Transport is able to continue to deliver work on the City Centre to Mangere Light Rail project, as directed by Cabinet.

Waka Kotahi is committed to this key Government priority to achieve mode shift in Auckland through some form of rapid transit system. In that context, Waka Kotahi will provide the requested funding assistance to the Ministry.

I am satisfied that providing this assistance will not compromise Waka Kotahi's functions and duties.

Waka Kotahi will work with the Ministry on the necessary arrangements and amendments to our existing Memorandum of Understanding.

Yours sincerely



**Sir Brian Roche**  
Chair, Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency

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