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Mr Alex Pollard
President
ACT Peak Oil
Email: president@act-peakoil.org

Dear Mr Pollard

Thank you for your email dated 8 October regarding the upcoming ACT election and seeking the views of ACT Labor on important issues of sustainability and reducing our reliance on cars.

ACT Labor is building a better city and a stronger community by investing in core community services – our hospitals, schools and transport system as well as protecting the environment.

We have invested \$243 million in our ACTION bus network since coming to office, including starting the upgrade of the fleet to low-emissions buses, improving routes and increasing frequency. We know there is still more to do in this area, which is why we've committed to an additional \$10 million for more bus services. ACT Labor has also committed to a feasibility study for light rail in Canberra and is working with the Commonwealth Government on funding options. ACT Labor has an integrated transport policy which provides further funding and incentives for reducing car use, such as upgrades of bike paths and pedestrian facilities.

ACT Labor has also introduced a comprehensive climate change strategy. You can read the details of this by visiting www.tams.act.gov.au

As part of our election commitments, ACT Labor has also put forward a number of policies in the areas of climate change, sustainability, protection of our natural environment, water security and energy use. You can read more about ACT Labor's policies by visiting www.actlabor.com.au.

Thank you again for your email.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jon Stanhope'.

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