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Dear Sir,

Ref: Inquiry into Graffiti on Public Infrastructure

I refer to the above notice in the Sydney Morning Herald and want to submit a possible solution to many of the problems associated with damaging buildings and facades with Graffiti.

Our company is manufacturing our well known product "Vitrapanel" which is used for building facades (mainly commercial) as light weight cladding, secondary tunnel lining (M5-, Cross City-, Lane Cove-Tunnels in Sydney) and noise wall panels (M7 Motorway). On the M7 you will notice that there is no graffiti visible due to the removal of any graffiti by the maintenance teams.

Our panels are coated with our proprietary V644 or V744 low surface tension coatings which makes it very easy to clean graffiti using the appropriate solvent, depending on the type of graffiti applied.

Our coating can be applied to any structure and surface with the correct preparation and application. V644 and V744 are available in any color and gloss, including clear coating over existing colors. Our graffiti performance is permanent and no re-painting is needed for at least 10 years.

As example I want to mention that 9 years ago we put a clear coat of V643 (similar product as above) onto a dark brick wall in Croydon Park. This wall had graffiti damage almost daily due to the bus stop next to the wall. This wall is now very seldom targeted and any graffiti can be removed easily.

Our company is market leader in pre-finished (CFC based) façade panels, all of our products are totally graffiti proof during the design life (of up to 40 years).

We would be very happy to present our capability to the enquiry.

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