Monday, 21st March 2011

Mr Tony Harris 21/3
Acting Parliamentary Budget Officer
NSW Parliament
Macquarie Street
SYDNEY NSW 2000

#### Dear Mr Harris

I am writing to you to formally request, under Part 4 (Election policy costings) of the Parliamentary Budget Officer Act 2010, an official costing for the following announced policies under Section 18(2) of the Act:

- Shell Cove Marina
- Lily Street Bridge, Allawah
- Newcastle University Relocation
- Blue Mountains National Park Walking Track and Safety Beacons
- Labor's Coal and Coal Seam Gas Plan (Ombudsman)

Please find attached a copy of this policy outlining the purpose of the policy and relevant details required to complete the costing as per the requirements of the Act.

A copy of the NSW Treasury costing and budget impact statement for the policy has also been included for your reference.

Should you require any further information on this request, please contact my office on (02) 9228-5239

Yours sincerely Lustina Keneally

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Premier of NSW

Leader of NSW Labor Party



# Cherie Burton secures a further \$4 million for Lily Street Bridge

Member for Kogarah Cherie Burton today announced she had been successful in securing a further \$4 million to replace and widen the bridge over the railway in Lily Street, Allawah.

Ms Burton said the funding was in addition to the \$9 million already committed, making a total of \$13 million.

This additional funding will allow a new Lily Street Bridge to be built with three through lanes, one left hand turn lane into Railway Parade and a footpath.

"Lily Street is an important thoroughfare, allowing local residents to travel from between the Allawah and Carlton sides of the railway line both in cars and on foot," Ms Burton said.

"Thanks to our community campaign on this issue, the Liberals have also committed to funding a replacement bridge.

"That is great news for local residents.

"If re-elected on 26 March, I will hold both parties to their promise, so that the Lily Street bridge is replaced and widened no matter who is in Government."

Ms Burton said RailCorp had already completed a detailed survey and begun the geotechnical investigations.

"RailCorp will now begin the detailed design and project scheduling work," Ms Burton said.

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## **Costing of Proposal**

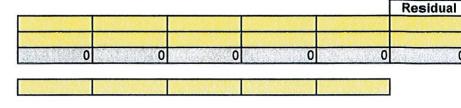
Title/Subject:	Change of Scope to the Allawah Bridge Replacement			
Pink/Physical ID:	EA1642036			
Proposal by:	Government			
Agency:	Transport NSW			
Cluster:	Transport and Infrastructure			
Detailed description: FIS No: 68 Classification: GGB	An additional \$4 million to increase the scope of the Allawah Bridge (road over rail) replacement. The existing two lane bridge (plus footpath) is nearing the end of its economic life. RailCorp's budget includes \$9 million to replace the bridge on a like for like basis. Both Hurstville and Kogarah Councils have sought to expand the bridge to four lanes, including a designated turning lane (plus footpath). The additional cost is estimated at \$4 million.			

**General Government Sector Financial Impact** 

Expenses (incl. depreciation
Less Agency Offsets (1)
Less Agency Revenue
Less Crown Provisions
<b>Budget Result Impact</b>

2010-11 \$'000	2011-12 \$'000	2012-13 \$'000	2013-14 \$'000	2014-15 \$'000	Ongoing \$'000
0	0	0	4,000	0	0
0	0	0	-4,000	0	0

Capital Expenditure Less Capital Offsets (1) Net Capital Cost
Depreciation



0

-4,000

Net Lending (2)

#### **Public Trading Enterprises Sector Financial Impact**

Revenues
Expenses
<b>Operating Result</b>

2010-11 \$'000	2011-12 \$'000	2012-13 \$'000	2013-14 \$'000	2014-15 \$'000	Ongoing \$'000
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0	0	0	0	0	0

Capital Expenditure
Less Capital Offsets (1)
Net Capital Cost

Depreciation

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Net Lending (2)

0	0	0	0	0

## Accumulated Net Financial Liabilities as at 30 June (3)

General Government Sector Total State Sector

2010-11 \$'000	2011-12 \$'000	2012-13 \$'000	2013-14 \$'000	2014-15 \$'000
0	0	0	4,000	4,000
0	0	0	4,000	4,000

- (1) Includes items such as available funding within existing estimates, expenditure offsets, recurrent savings associated with capital projects, linked assets sales.
- (2) Equal to Budget Result or Operating Result Impact plus Net Capital Cost.
- (3) Equals cumulative Net Lending Impact. Total State Sector equals sum of General Government and PTE (and PFE) sectors.

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Detailed construction estimates have not been provided by RailCorp. Both Councils were advised of the total estimated cost of the bridge replacement (\$9 million) and options to expand the bridge (\$2 million to expand to three lanes and \$4 million to expand to four lanes) in correspondence from RailCorp dated 10 November 2010. RailCorp sought a commitment from both Councils to finance any gap in funding, plus a commitment for Councils to fund required ancillary works. It is advised that Hurstville Council is prepared to make a partial contribution but Kogarah Council is requesting State and Federal funding to meet the cost of the widening.

#### Key data

RailCorp has advised Councils that the costs include

- bridge replacement, localised traffic management, track possessions and minor service relocation but do not include
- alterations or additions to traffic control systems, street lighting, rebuilding the Railway Parade intersection and costs of major traffic changes for up to three months during construction.

RailCorp also advises the accuracy of the estimates is between -20% and +50%.

Caveats or qualifications

RailCorp advises estimates are indicative only and subject to detailed scoping and design.

Implementation issues (including how Treasury can assist in speedy implementation and any potential difficulties and how these might be overcome)

N/A

Other comments (including explanation where Treasury costing differs from agency or PBO estimates N/A

Position	Name and extension	Signature	Date
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