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Industry applauds strong infrastructure agenda and welcomes the reelected Victorian Labor Government

The Victorian division of the Urban Development Institute of Australia (UDIA Victoria) has congratulated the reelected Andrews Government and welcomed the strong mandate achieved for their important infrastructure agenda.

“Victoria is the most progressive state in Australia, and the electorate has returned a progressive Government with an unquestionable mandate to get on and build the infrastructure our growing state needs,” said Danni Addison, Victorian chief executive of the Urban Development Institute of Australia.

The Suburban Rail Loop, the desperately needed investment in Victoria’s road network, and the solid pipeline of schools and services investment has been welcomed warmly by the urban development industry.

“We are ready to get on with the job. The urban development industry is in the business of building for growth and delivering the housing, communities and services that make Victoria such a remarkable place,” said Ms Addison.

The urban development industry is a core part of Victoria’s economy, providing 185,000 jobs and more than \$22 billion of value.

Ms Addison called on the reelected Andrews Government to attack regulatory barriers across the housing and infrastructure delivery processes with renewed energy.

“Victoria’s urban development industry is constrained by regulatory barriers across the housing delivery process and even in infrastructure delivery. We simply have to take this seriously and attack it with vigor if the private sector is going to be able to deliver the solid growth mandate achieved by the Andrews Government,” she said.

Ms Addison also called for immediate action by the Andrews Government on housing supply, calling it the most important issue for Victoria’s planning and treasury portfolios.

“We need to create and deliver 137 new homes in Victoria every single day, every single year to 2051 to meet the demands of population growth. There’s no time waste, and Victoria’s community expects government and the development industry to get on with the job,” she said.

The Andrews Government has a vital opportunity to recognise the critically important benefits the urban development sector delivers to the overall state economy, and its budget position.

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The Urban Development Institute of Australia (UDIA) is a nationally recognised body that advocates for Australia's urban development industry. In Victoria, UDIA informs and engages government and industry members, **enabling better policy and better business decisions**. With a primary focus on the residential property sector, UDIA protects and promotes over 320 member companies across Victoria including developers and a range of other professionals involved in producing, financing and marketing residential property.

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