

30 June 2023

Director
Disability and Transport Standards
Land Transport Policy
Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts
GPO Box 594
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Dear Director,

Email: <u>DisabilityTransport@infrastructure.gov.au</u>

RE: 2022 Review of the Disability Standards for Accessible Public Transport 2002

The National Inclusive Transport Advocacy Network (**NITAN**) represents a national voice of people with disability advocating for accessible and inclusive public transport systems across Australia. NITAN was established and is auspiced by the Australian Federation of Disability Organisations. NITAN has worked during its formation with a core working group of members with the following organisations:

- All Aboard Network
- Australian Federation of Disability Organisations (AFDO)
- Council for Intellectual Disability (CID)
- Disability Justice Australia (DJA)
- Disability Resources Centre (DRC)
- First Peoples Disability Network (FPDN)
- Inclusion Moves
- National Ethnic Disability Alliance (NEDA)
- People with Disability Australia (PWDA)
- Physical Disability Council of NSW
- Victorian Legal Aid

Along with other state-based advocacy organisations and individuals with expertise in legal, transport and disability rights.

We aim to be the voice of people with disability on transport matters, however, we recognise the disability community is made up of a diverse range of people with a differing needs and priorities. We understand that to be effective, we need to engage with experts in their field.

We are open to ideas on how this can occur and look forward to shaping our voice with the disabled communities' assistance.

NITAN notes PIAC'S submission into the Review of the Disability Standards for Accessible Public Transport 2002. We endorse PIAC's submission, and each of the recommendations it makes.

We look forward to engaging with the Department at further stages of consultation on the Review of the Disability Standards for Accessible Public Transport 2002.

Yours sincerely,



Richard Witbreuk Chair National Inclusive Transport Advocacy Network