From: Oscar Lupton Sent: Tuesday, 14 November 2023 1:40 PM To: NRTTSconsultation <<u>NRTTStrategyandCAVActionPlan@infrastructure.gov.au</u>> Subject: Re: 2024–27 CAV Action Plan

My written submission is quite short:

Focusing on road innovations is fine, but Australia's geography lends itself very favourably to rail transport. As opposed to investing in automated road freight, it would be better to invest in intercity and outback-to-port railroads. As for driver/passenger safety concerns, the most safe thing to do is reduce dependence on cars for each person. Public transit saves everyone money, reduces environmental footprint, and is inclusive of those who cannot operate motor vehicles. It also reduces vehicle traffic, another accessibility and safety improvement.

Warm regards,

-Oscar Lupton