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Dear Assistant Treasurer

Re Media Statement 29 October 2019: 'Driving reform on car repairs'

Your 29 October 2019 media statement: '*Driving reform on car repairs*', was read with interest as the MTA Queensland has been a consistent contributor to the proposed '*mandatory scheme for the sharing of motor vehicle service and repair information*' consultative process. You indicated a roundtable with the five key industry stakeholders, who are signatories to the current voluntary information sharing agreement, met for an update on the outcomes of the consultation held earlier this year and the recent decisions taken by your Government.

You further indicated industry and consumers would continue to be central to the Government's approach as the scheme develops with the Government continuing to consider feedback from consultations. Thank you for this assurance, particularly as our franchised dealers and franchised and independent repairers whilst supporting the proposed mandatory code have concerns. These were submitted in our 11 March 2019 response to the: *Mandatory scheme for the sharing of motor vehicle and repair information* Consultation Paper.

We attach that submission again for consideration. For our membership it is important to do so, as the MTA Queensland is not one of the five industry stakeholders who are signatories to the current voluntary information sharing agreement.

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I draw attention to 6.2 of this submission:

The Association notes too, the membership and the terms of reference of the Committee. The MTA Queensland earnestly requests consideration for membership of the proposed Committee in order to advocate the views of the state's automotive sector as it not affiliated with any of the national industry organisations that are proposed as members. It would be inequitable for the State's independent repair sector to be denied and opportunity to contribute its expertise to the deliberations of the committee when the interests of the other states and territories appear to be comprehensively represented.

The reconsideration of the issues raised in our submission would be appreciated to ensure the views of our members and the State's independent repair sector have input in this phase of the development of the proposed mandatory scheme for the sharing of motor vehicle service and repair information.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely

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