



## AUSTRALIAN LOGISTICS COUNCIL

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#### Chairman's Update

A great deal of February was taken up in preparation for our Annual Forum in early March. This event – the one time of the year we open our doors to senior industry participants, other than Members – was well attended. Presentations were of a high calibre. My greatest delight was the high level of interaction and debate, on delivering the way forward. All Position Statements with the exception of the most vital one – Infrastructure – were approved. The Infrastructure debate led by Steve Meyrick raised a number of questions, and the need to revisit and amend the priorities stated. These reworked objectives will be available by the end of March.

Our sincere thanks to both the Federal and NSW Minister's for Transport, the Hon Warren Truss MP and the Hon John Watkins MP respectively, for not only being available to give presentations, but rather very actively answer a proliferation of questions and spend valuable time mingling with delegates.

The task now is to meet these targets – it is only with your help and combined support that they will happen!

*Ivan Backman*

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#### Executive Director's Update

The big news for the month has been the 2006 Annual Forum that took place on 2-3 March. We have received strong positive feedback from the events. The Forum and associated events were both the culmination and reporting on progress made so far in 2005-06 and opportunity to finalise and endorse the work program and priorities for 2006-07. As well as this focus on the ALC work program, delegates heard from Ian Murray on export, Stephen Cleary on air freight and Steve Meyrick on infrastructure and from the NSW State and Federal Transport Ministers.

I particularly appreciated the work and support of the members of the ALC Executive Committee and the Chairs and Members of the various working groups, all of whom worked hard to ensure that we had a solid, meaty agenda that is certain to make a concrete difference in achieving the Forum theme that was "Delivering for Australia".

*Hal Morris*

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## ALC Supported Events & Activities held in February 2006

| Date | Event   | Location                  | ALC Involvement   |
|------|---|---------------------------|---|
| 2    | Data Working Group  | Teleconference            | Margaret Milne – Chair  |
| 2    | Data Consultancy Steering Committee met with and commissioned Anthony Carlson of Sd+D                             | Sydney                    | Margaret Milne - Chair  |
| 2    | Education and Skills Steering Group   | Workshop & teleconference | Daryll Hull – Chair   |
| 3    | User Steering Group   | Teleconference            | Ingilby Dickson – Chair   |
| 7    | Retail Code Steering Committee  | Melbourne                 | Ivan Backman - Chair  |
| 8    | N-S Corridor Consultation by Abel Tasman consulting   | Melbourne                 | Hal Morris met with consultants   |
| 8    | Information Working Group discussion  | Melbourne                 | David Doherty (chair) met with Hal Morris re future and proposed work agenda for this group                     |
| 8    | States Working Group  | Teleconference            | David Williams – Chair<br>Group provided comment and endorsed the ALC 2006 Position Statements                  |
| 9    | Mark Vaile industry reception   | Sydney                    | Ivan Backman, Daryll Hull and Hal Morris attended this event organised by the Australian institute of Export    |
| 10   | Jim Glasson<br>– Director General NSW MOT   | Sydney                    | Ivan Backman and Hal Morris met with Jim Glasson who has recently been appointed as DG                          |
| 10   | Stephen Cleary – GGM Qantas Freight   | Sydney                    | Ivan Backman and Hal Morris met with Stephen re air freight issues in preparation for the 2006 Forum            |
| 14   | Australian Transport Research Forum (ATRF)  | Teleconference            | Hal Morris joined organising committee for the event that will be held in SE Queensland in 27-29 September 2006 |
| 15   | T&L Associations workshop   | Sydney                    | TALC led a workshop to identify, catalogue and describe T&L associations. Hal Morris attended                   |
| 16   | Meeting with DOTARS in preparation for 2006 Forum   | Canberra                  | Hal Morris met with Stewart Jones, Peter Van Rens and Geoff Johnston  |
| 16   | Meeting with Will Golsby of Minister Truss' office re 2006 Forum and ALC agenda and priorities                    | Canberra                  | Hal Morris  |
| 16   | Infrastructure Supply Chain Consultancy (Meyrick) Steering Committee reviewed proposed presentation to 2006 Forum | Sydney and teleconference | Kerry Sanderson - Chair   |
| 17   | Les Ford – DDG QT   | Brisbane                  | Hal Morris met Les Ford re Industry Branding and the Queensland Research  |
| 21   | Queensland T&L Careers Forum  | Brisbane                  | Hal Morris attended a meeting of this Forum   |
| 23   | Careers – Attraction and Retention Working  | Sydney                    | David McInnes - Chair   |

| Date    | Event  | Location               | ALC Involvement   |
|---------|--|------------------------|---|
|         | Group Workshop established priorities for this group in preparation for the 2006 Forum |                        |   |
| 24      | Data Consultancy Steering Committee reviewed material for presentation for 2006 Forum  | Sydney                 | Margaret Milne - Chair  |
| 27      | ALC Executive Meeting  | Teleconference         | Ivan Backman - Chair  |
| 1 Mar   | Two students from Macquarie University started work as Interns for 12 weeks with ALC   | Sydney                 | Tao Wu – Data Project<br>Veit Schoenleben – Retail Code                         |
| 1&2 Mar | GS1 Road show and report back on ITOL project  | Melbourne and Sydney   |   |
| 2 Mar   | Port Botany Tour   | Sydney                 | Sydney Ports hosted a tour of the Port Botany and Australian Customs facility   |
| 2 Mar   | Logistics Industry Reception hosted by NSW Department of State Development             | Sydney                 | Addressed by Hon John Watkins MP, NSW Deputy Premier and Minister for Transport |
| 3 Mar   | ALC 2006 Forum   | Taronga Centre, Sydney |   |

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## The Right Infrastructure

### Infrastructure Steering Group (ISG)

- Supply Chain Consultancy
  - Steve Meyrick reported and led a two-hour workshop as part of the ALC 2006 Forum
  - Outcomes have been collated and further consultation will now take place
  - Final report due early April 2006
  - Report will include
    - Revised Position Statement 1/06 – The Right Infrastructure
    - Detailed report on the process and priority issues considered
    - Detailed report on the three supply chains reviewed viz intermodal, grain & coal
  - Top priority issues endorsed at the ALC forum on 3 march were
    - Preparing the Rail System
    - Investing in access to terminals, ports and freight centres
    - Coordinated planning
    - Steamlining regulation
- Next ISG Teleconference will be held on receipt of the final report from Steve Meyrick
- Communications Standards Working Group
  - David Doherty has advised that while this group has not met in 2005, informal networking among its members has been valuable
  - Accordingly ALC will continue to support this group for a further six months and then review its progress

*Chair Infrastructure Steering Group – Kerry Sanderson*  
*Chair Communication Standards Working Group – David Doherty*

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## Understanding the Future of Transport and Logistics

### User Steering Group (USG)

- APEC – a case study on removal of a non-tariff barrier is being developed based on the case export grain and steel case studies that were developed for ALC in 2005
- Next User Group teleconference 11am EDST 7 April 06

*Chair User Working Group – Ingilby Dickson*

### Data Working Group

- Data Gaps consultancy
  - Sd+D have completed the first stage of this work
  - An initial report was delivered to the 2006 Forum on 3 March.
  - Additional funding is being sought from the Tradegate Development Fund to support Stage 2. The board meets on 17 March to consider the ALC submission.

*Chair National Logistics Data Working Group – Margaret Milne*

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## Capable People

### Careers – Attraction and Retention Steering Group

- The ALC Careers Working Group met at the Transport and Logistics Centre in Sydney on 23 February to discuss and define the work agenda for 2006 as:
  - Improve the level of general understanding and the image of Transport and Logistics (T&L) through leadership of national industry branding initiatives
  - Provide a forum for the sharing and dissemination of promotional materials and projects to minimise duplication and maximise co operation.
  - To provide input to the Data Working Group with specific reference to Career Related data definitions and information requirements.
  - Development of consistent, positive and accurate public media articles focussing on opportunities and achievements of individuals in Transport and Logistics
- The ALC/TALC/TDT Careers Alliance met in Melbourne on 10 February to discuss and align work agendas for 2006. For further information on the list of projects please contact Jessica on 02 9266 9922
- “Logistics, Delivering Careers Across Australia” National Careers & Employment Expos 2006  
**Book now** to secure your place in the biggest T&L industry promotion of jobs, careers, education and training this year – call Jessica on 02 9266 9922

### Dates/Venues

| City      | Dates            | Venue                                      |
|-----------|------------------|--|
| Perth     | 7 – 8 April      | Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre     |
| Melbourne | 5 – 6 May        | Melbourne Exhibition and Convention Centre |
| Adelaide  | 26 – 27 May      | Royal Adelaide Showgrounds                 |
| Brisbane  | 2 – 4 June       | Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre  |
| Canberra  | 30 June – 1 July | National Convention Centre                 |
| Hobart    | 14 - 15 July     | Derwent Entertainment Centre               |
| Sydney    | 28 - 29 July     | Sydney Entertainment Centre                |

*Chair National Careers Working Group – David McInnes*

### Safety Steering Group

- A date is yet to be set for the ALC National Safety Summit titled ‘Safety and the Bottom Line’
- Dr Daryll Hull has taken over from Ian Murray as Chair of this group.

- **Retail Code/ Operating Guidelines**
  - The Working Group has finalised a draft of the code that was distributed for comment on 11 January. Comments are still being received.
  - Legal advice has been received supporting the structure and wording.
  - The National Transport Commission, Australian Trucking Association, and Transport Workers Union have been briefed on this initiative and have been invited to join the Management Committee.
  - It is anticipated that the arrangements will be ready to be trialled by April 2006.
  - The Management Committee next meets on 23 March in Melbourne.
  - Please contact Hal Morris if you would like to get a copy of the consultation draft for comment.

*Chair OH&S Steering Group – Daryll Hull*

*Chair Retail Guidelines Steering Committee – Ivan Backman*

### **Education and Skills Steering Group**

- Professor Rod Troutbeck of QUT has stood down as Chair of this Group after founding the People Steering Group and leading it for three years. Dr Daryll Hull of the Transport and Logistics Centre (TALC) has accepted the invitation to take over as Chair.
- The group's agenda for 2006 was endorsed at the Annual forum on 3 March. These are
  - Identify and lead actions to improve 'cross over points' and transition points in education and skills development such as
    - Between School and TAFE
    - Between TAFE and University
    - Between Study and Work
    - Between generalist skills and qualifications and specialist logistics
  - Support focused research into priority areas for logistics
  - Identify and lead concrete actions to improve the practical success for innovation in logistics
  - Support knowledge sharing across logistics

*Chair Education and Skills Steering Group – Dr Daryll Hull*

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### **Streamlining Regulation**

#### **Security Steering Group (SSG)**

- This group is still waiting to see the detail of the Federal Legislation on security so that implementation arrangements can be devised.

#### **States Working Group**

- The second meeting of the group was held by teleconference on 8 February 2006 in preparation for the Annual Forum.
- The meeting provided comment and support for the 2006 Position Statements and work priorities.

*Chair ALC Security Steering Group and States Working Group – David Williams*

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### **ALC Management, Membership and Financial Support**

- The ALC Executive met by teleconference on 27 February 2006.
- There have been no new Members join the ALC during December or January.
- Work on the new ALC web site is close to completion and the new site will be ready to launch in April 2006.
- Financial support for 2006 has been received with thanks from the following organisations:

#### **Platinum Support**

Queensland Rail

QANTAS Freight  
Coles Myer Ltd  
Toll Holdings  
Australin Rail Track Corporation Ltd (ARTC)  
Transport and Logistics Centre (TALC)

**Gold Support**

Australian Shipowners Association  
Woolworths Ltd

**Silver Support**

Metcash Ltd  
Port of Melbourne Corporation  
PGA Group Pty Ltd  
BlueScope Steel  
John Swire & Sons  
Association of Australian Ports and Marine Authorities  
Linfox Pty Ltd  
Sydney Ports Corporation  
Victorian Department of Infrastructure

**Bronze Support**

TNT Logistics (Australia) Pty Ltd  
Chartered Institute of Logistics & Transport in Australia  
Ministry of Transport, NSW  
Shipping Australia Limited

**ALC Support**

Australian Federation of International Forwarders  
Tradegate  
Customs Brokers and Forwarders Council of Australia Inc  
Port Kembla Port Corporation  
Port of Brisbane

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**Calendar**

- A list of events for ALC and the logistics sector follows and can also be found at [www.ozlogistics.org/calendar](http://www.ozlogistics.org/calendar)
- Please contact [Jessica.Brocklebank@AustLogistics.com.au](mailto:Jessica.Brocklebank@AustLogistics.com.au) or by telephone 02 9266 9922 if you would like to include your event or meeting on this list in future.

**ALC Calendar of Events**

As at 1 March 2006

| <b>2006</b>    | <b>Event</b>                     | <b>Location</b>                                | <b>Hosted By</b>         | <b>ALC Involvement</b>          |
|----------------|----------------------------------|--|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1 March        | GS1/ITOL Roadshow                | Melbourne                                      | GS1                      | ALC Members attending           |
| 2 March        | GS1/ITOL Roadshow                | Sydney   | GS1                      | ALC Members attending           |
| 2 March        | ALC Port Botany Tour             | Port Botany, Sydney                            | Sydney Ports Corporation | ALC Members & Others attending  |
| 2 March        | ALC Logistics Industry Reception | L44 Grosvenor Place, 255 George Street, Sydney | ALC                      | ALC Members & Others            |
| <b>3 March</b> | <b>ALC Forum 2006</b>            | <b>Taronga Zoo Centre, Sydney</b>              | <b>ALC</b>               | <b>ALC Members &amp; Others</b> |

| <b>2006</b>   | <b>Event</b>  | <b>Location</b>  | <b>Hosted By</b>                   | <b>ALC Involvement</b>   |
|---------------|---|--|------------------------------------|--|
| 6-7 March     | PharmaMed Logistics Summit  | Radisson Plaza, Sydney   | Informa                            |  |
| 8-9 March     | Transport & Infrastructure Regulation Summit                          | Radisson Plaza, Sydney   | LLDCN                              | ALC Endorsing & Members speaking                               |
| 27-28 Mar     | Performance Based Logistics   | Melbourne  | Supply Chain IQ                    |  |
| 27-29 Mar     | Rail Freight 2006   | Carlton Crest Hotel, Sydney  | IIR                                | ALC Members – speaking   |
| 29-30 Mar     | Railway Communications Forum 2006                                     | L'Aqua, Sydney   | ARA                                | ALC Members – speaking   |
| 30-31 Mar     | Performance Based Logistics   | Canberra   | Supply Chain IQ                    |  |
| 3-4 April     | Performance Based Logistics   | Sydney   | Supply Chain IQ                    |  |
| 5-6 April     | Regional Ports in Focus 2006  | Crown Plaza, Newcastle   | Newcastle Port Corporation & LLDCN | ALC Endorsing & Hal Morris speaking                            |
| 7-8 April     | National Careers & Employment Expo                                    | Claremont Showgrounds, <b>Perth</b>  | ALC & TALC                         | "Logistics, Delivering Careers Across Australia" display       |
| 20 April      | Australia-China Services Trade: Opportunities & Challenges of the FTA | To be held in <b>Beijing, China</b> hosted by Department of Foreign Affairs, Australia & Ministry of Commerce of China & Beijing City Government |                                    | ALC Chair, Ivan Backman will be speaking. ALC Members invited. |
| 5-6 May       | National Careers & Employment Expo                                    | <b>Melbourne</b> Entertainment & Convention Centre   | ALC & TALC                         | "Logistics, Delivering Careers Across Australia" display       |
| 5-7 May       | CBFCA VIC Regional Convention   | Werribee Park, Victoria  | CBFCA                              | ALC Members attending  |
| 12-12 May     | Chain of Responsibility – What's next?                                | Rendezvous Hotel, Melbourne  | LLDCN                              | ALC Endorsing, Ivan Backman & ALC Members speaking             |
| 16-17 May     | Public Private Partnerships Summit                                    | Rydges Jamison, Sydney   | Informa                            |  |
| 18-19 May     | Port & Maritime Security and Counter-Terrorism Summit                 | Dockside, Sydney   | DoTaRS & LLDCN                     | ALC Endorsing & Panel Member                                   |
| 25 May        | ALC Industry Reception & Launch TDT Enterprise Youth program          | Adelaide   | ALC & TDT                          | ALC Members and guests of TDT                                  |
| <b>26 May</b> | <b>ALC Quarterly Meeting</b>  | <b>Adelaide</b>  | <b>ALC</b>                         | <b>ALC Members</b>   |

| <b>2006</b>      | <b>Event</b>                        | <b>Location</b>                                | <b>Hosted By</b> | <b>ALC Involvement</b>                                   |
|------------------|-------------------------------------|--|------------------|--|
| 26-27 May        | National Careers & Employment Expo  | Royal <b>Adelaide</b> Showgrounds              | ALC & TALC       | "Logistics, Delivering Careers Across Australia" display |
| 2-4 June         | National Careers & Employment Expo  | <b>Brisbane</b> Convention & Exhibition Centre | ALC & TALC       | "Logistics, Delivering Careers Across Australia" display |
| 30 June – 1 July | National Careers & Employment Expo  | National Convention Centre, <b>Canberra</b>    | ALC & TALC       | "Logistics, Delivering Careers Across Australia" display |
| 13-14 July       | Supply Chain Conference             | Sofitel Hotel, Brisbane                        | LAA              | Hal Morris, ALC – speaking                               |
| 14-15 July       | National Careers & Employment Expo  | Derwent Entertainment Centre, <b>Hobart</b>    | ALC & TALC       | "Logistics, Delivering Careers Across Australia" display |
| 28-29 July       | National Careers & Employment Expo  | <b>Sydney</b> Entertainment Centre             | ALC & TALC       | "Logistics, Delivering Careers Across Australia" display |
| 20-23 Aug        | APICS 2006 International Conference | Crown Promenade Hotel, Melbourne               | APICS            |  |
| <b>25 Aug</b>    | <b>ALC Quarterly Meeting</b>        | <b>Canberra</b>                                | <b>ALC</b>       | <b>ALC Members</b>                                       |
| 13-17 Nov        | LAA & CILTA National Awards Week    | Western Australia                              | LAA & CILTA      | ALC Members, LAA Members, CILTA Members                  |
| <b>17 Nov</b>    | <b>ALC Quarterly Meeting</b>        | <b>Perth</b>                                   | <b>ALC</b>       | <b>ALC Members</b>                                       |

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## Attachments/Other News

### Queensland Infrastructure Summit

The **ALC** is endorsing the **Queensland Infrastructure Summit** at the **Brisbane** Marriott Hotel on the **15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> June 2006**. Attracting over 120 attendees in 2005, this summit provides a unique opportunity for all stakeholders and decision-makers along the infrastructure value chain to exchange views on the future of Queensland's infrastructure development.

As a member of the **ALC** we have arranged an exclusive **10% discount** for you to attend. If you wish to take advantage of this offer, simply download the attached PDF containing the full program and complete the registration page on the back. You can fax this to 02 9290 3844 or email it to [registration@informa.com.au](mailto:registration@informa.com.au)

Alternatively, visit the website at [www.informa.com.au/qldinfrastructure06](http://www.informa.com.au/qldinfrastructure06)

### AFIF 2006 Annual Conference, 17-19 May, Gold Coast

We are delighted to announce full details of AFIF 2006... sure to be the highest profile event in the seven year history of the AFIF National Conferences. This year we are returning to the venue for our first ever conference at the re-furbished Royal Pines Resort on the Gold Coast.

The event is fast approaching. With only 10 weeks to go, don't delay – Go **online** to [www.afif.asn.au/afifconference](http://www.afif.asn.au/afifconference) to find all the **information** and **register** on line. Or contact the conference secretariat at the details below, and a brochure can be sent to you.

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