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RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Questions on Notice Paper No 3

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Question No. 190

MR BRADDOCK: To ask the Minister for Transport —

1. What are the public transport infrastructure projects (bus, light rail) the ACT Government has undertaken (planning and construction) since 2015 which have had their completion timeframes revised, and can the Minister provide this information in a table with a list of project, original timeframes and revised timeframes.
2. Did Transport Canberra and City Services or Infrastructure Canberra (formerly Major Projects Canberra) undertake any climate modelling to determine the emissions consequences of delays to the public transport projects referred to in part (1), and what did this modelling find.

Mr Chris Steel MLA – The answer to the Member’s questions are as follows:

1. This information is published in the Territory Budgets available on the Treasury website at <https://www.treasury.act.gov.au/budget>
2. Climate Change Modelling and Greenhouse Gas Assessments estimates were, or will be, undertaken for all light rail projects. The modelling is completed following industry standard methodology, consistent with other infrastructure projects of a similar scale. The Climate Change Modelling assesses risks and vulnerabilities related to climate change relevant to the Projects during construction and operational stages, following the methodology included in Australian Standard 5334:2013.

The Greenhouse Gas Assessments were completed in line with the *National Greenhouse and Energy Reporting Act 2007* and the accompanying *National Greenhouse and Energy Reporting (Measurement) Determination 2008 (amended 1 July 2021)* and assessed greenhouse gas

emissions based on information available at the time of undertaking the modelling, this will be updated with actual reporting as construction is completed on the projects.

Scope 1 and Scope 2 greenhouse gas emissions were recorded after the construction of Light Rail Stage 1, and formed part of the Project's submission to the Infrastructure Sustainability Council for the Project's As Built Infrastructure Sustainability Rating.

The delivery of projects by Transport Canberra associated with the new battery electric buses and supporting infrastructure for electrification of the bus network, which will have a positive impact on reducing emissions, are currently on track.

The emissions consequences associated with delays to other projects, delivered by TCCS since 2015, across the broader program of public transport projects is not considered in this response, noting these include works such as bus layover or bus stop improvements, and major components overhaul.

Approved for circulation to the Member and incorporation into Hansard.



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Minister for Transport**

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