



Rail Freight Futures Australia

Program

- 08.00 - 09.00** **Registration**
- 09.00 - 09.10** **Welcome and Official Launch of RFA Website**
Brett De Hoedt Introduction
- Cr Mark Byatt**
Chair, Rail Freight Alliance
- 09.15 - 10.10** **History of Rail in Australia: Where are we Today and where does Australia Sit Globally?**
Hon. Tim Fischer AC
Former Deputy Prime Minister
- 10.15 - 10.55** **Victorian Policy, Direction and Commitment**
Hon. Terry Mulder MP
*Victorian State Minister for Public Transport
Minister for Roads*
- 10.55 - 11.25** **Morning Tea**
- 11.25 - 12.05** **Labor's Vision for Rail in Victoria**
Natalie Hutchins MP
*Shadow Minister for Industrial Relations
Shadow Minister for Ports, Freight and Logistics*
- 12.05 - 12.40** **Lunch**
- 12.45 - 13.30** **Melbourne to Brisbane Inland Rail Project**
Peter Winder
General Manager, ARTC (Major Projects)
- 13.30 - 15.30** **Challenges and Opportunities Today**
- 13.30 - 13.50** **Geoff Smith**
SCT Logistics, Managing Director
- 13.55 - 14.15** **Ken Wakefield**
Wakefield Transport, Group Manager
- 14.20 - 14.40** **Neil Johns**
Grain Corp, Group General Manager, Storage and Logistics
- 14.45 - 15.05** **Jim Cooper**
Port of Portland, Chief Executive Officer
- 15.10 - 15.30** **Rory MacManus**
VLine, General Manager Business
- 15.30 - 16.00** **Afternoon Tea**
- 16.00 - 17.00** **Panel Discussion**
- 17.00 - 18.00** **Networking Reception**