

## MEDIA RELEASE

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## **Queensland Transport & Logistics Council appoints Chief Executive Officer.**

BRISBANE - The QTLC has today announced the appointment of Dr. Rebecca Michael as CEO.

The QTLC is the key Government & Industry advisory body on matters of freight policy, regulation and infrastructure. The Council operates statewide across all freight modes including road, rail, sea and airfreight.

QTLC chairman Neil Findlay says Queensland is at the forefront of national reform in the freight sector with the decision to base the new National Heavy Vehicle Regulator in Brisbane. Other critical National reforms are currently underway with the establishment of the National Rail Safety & Maritime Regulators.

The council worked closely with the Queensland Department of Transport & Main Roads to deliver the ground breaking Queensland Integrated Freight Strategy, released last week by Queensland Minister for Transport Annastacia Palaszczuk.

With freight volumes set to double by 2030, and multiple National and State freight policy reforms currently underway across the road, rail and maritime sectors the council's workload is expanding rapidly.

QTLC has formed three key working groups to address these emerging challenges: Access & Regulation, Infrastructure & Planning and Intermodal, each charged with providing strategic freight advice for Queensland.

Dr. Michael's strong credentials in government relations and economics will significantly expand the QTLC's capacity to participate and contribute to these critical reform processes Mr. Findlay said.

Queensland must ensure it stays at the forefront of freight policy and strategy development to deliver a clean, safe and productive industry for all Queenslanders.

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