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### **Civil Contractors Federation Statement on Michael McCormack**

The peak body for Australia’s civil construction industry, Civil Contractors Federation National (CCF National) acknowledges the significant contribution of Michael McCormack to the infrastructure portfolio and congratulates Barnaby Joyce on his appointment as Minister for Infrastructure Transport and Regional Development.

“Michael McCormack made a significant contribution to the Infrastructure Transport and Regional Development portfolio as evidenced by the Federal Government’s infrastructure investment program and CCF National congratulates him on his achievements since he came to the position in early 2018,” said Chris Melham, Chief Executive Officer, Civil Contractors Federation.

“Mr. McCormack’s record of investing in civil infrastructure projects to generate jobs and boost business confidence is widely acknowledged across the industry and we thank him for his strong contribution to the sector. He leaves the infrastructure portfolio with a record level of infrastructure funding commitments from the Federal Government - \$110 billion as compared to \$75 billion in 2016 FY for the federal governments 10 year rolling infrastructure investment program.

“He demonstrated a deep commitment to improving infrastructure throughout rural and regional Australia and in so doing provided the foundations for economic growth in those regions. His stewardship of the Inland Rail project and the roll out of countless shovel ready projects throughout the country reflects his strong focus on investing in rural and regional Australia to grow the Australian economy.

“Mr. McCormack’s commitment to engage with the Civil Contractors Federation and infrastructure sector more broadly has also been appreciated by industry, particularly as we grappled with the initial economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

“Civil Contractors Federation looks forward to continuing this strong working relationship with Mr. Barnaby Joyce MP, Deputy Prime Minister in his capacity as the newly appointed Federal Minister for Infrastructure Transport and Regional Development, who we congratulate on his appointment,” Mr. Melham concluded.

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