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Dear Mr Gillard

I am in receipt of a copy of your letter to the Rt Hon Winston Peters expressing your concerns over vehicle noise emissions.

I have much sympathy for your viewpoint having, some years ago, experienced similar problems with ship's cargo loading gear when I was manager of a stevedoring company. The adverse effect on crane drivers was of worrying significance.

However, having stated that, the Transport and Industrial Relations Select Committee has received a written submission presenting similar arguments to yours. The committee has responded positively and, in the first instance, has sent it to the Minister for a detailed response.

In summary, therefore, MPs have been made aware of the problem and moves are afoot to address it. With the election coming up it will take time but I am hopeful that eventually there will be a positive outcome.

Yours sincerely

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