



**Australian Flexible Pavement Association media release**

## AfPA Welcomes New Labor Government

The Australian Flexible Pavement Association (AfPA) has welcomed and congratulated the Australian Labor Party and Australia's 31st Prime Minister, Mr. Anthony Albanese, following the party's victory at the 2022 federal election.

The association expressed excitement to begin working with the new government to help deliver stronger outcomes for Australians by creating a more sustainable and innovative industry.

AfPA has previously welcomed the Labor Government's commitment to provide \$367.2 million for infrastructure projects over the next four years, labelling it a crucial investment in a more connected, innovative future. The association also expressed that part of its initial engagement with the government will be ensuring that Australia's road infrastructure is a key priority within the new \$200 million per year Disaster Readiness budget.

As the peak body for the multi-billion-dollar flexible pavement industry, AfPA will look to work with the government to deliver results against its four key policy recommendation areas, including: Industry health and safety outcomes, adoption of a 'fix it first' approach to road maintenance and Improved sustainability.

AfPA and its members have applauded Labor's commitment to creating and maintaining more jobs, ensuring better education accessibility, and improving living standards.

Carlos Rial, CEO of AfPA, said:

"AfPA welcomes the incoming government and congratulates the Australian Labor Party. Our association and its members look forward to the opportunity to work closely with the new government to deliver strong returns for the industry and for motorists.

"The government has expressed the sentiment that economic recovery can only be achieved by investing in the nation and its workforce, a concept with which AfPA and its members are very much aligned."

"We also want to thank the outgoing Coalition Government, which throughout its time in office showed a strong commitment to improving the nation's roads.