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Major BHP–Aurizon logistics deal will get thousands of trucks off our roads

Road safety in the Upper Spencer Gulf will be vastly improved with a \$1.5 billion logistics deal which will result in the removal of more than 11,000 truck movements from our roads each year.

Member for Grey, Tom Venning has welcomed the announcement by BHP that it has signed a 10-year deal with Aurizon.

“Anyone who uses our roads will notice a difference – fewer trucks means safer roads,” said Mr Venning.

He also welcomed the news from Aurizon that 60 new jobs will be created for what Aurizon has labelled ‘Australia’s largest ever road-to-rail conversion and that a \$40 million depot would be built at Pimba.

“This is excellent news for our region,” he said.

The multi-year agreement will see Aurizon deliver integrated rail, road and port logistics solutions to support BHP’s copper operations in South Australia.

“The deal represents a long-term commitment to the region and is expected to drive local investment, job creation, and business opportunities across key regional centres.

“This is a strong signal that the Upper Spencer Gulf is central to the future of Australia’s copper supply chain.

“It means more jobs, more training opportunities, and stronger local economies.

“With copper demand rising due to the global energy transition, the BHP–Aurizon contract places the Upper Spencer Gulf at the heart of a critical minerals growth corridor.

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