

----- Forwarded message ----- Barry O'Farrell NSW Premier

Open Letter to the Premier

Dear Premier,

I email to bring to your attention the work of ACCCI and to make recommendations for the future strengthening of NSW economic relations with China.

Since 2005 Chamber has pursued a strategy, amongst many other initiatives, of encouraging the linkage of the Greater Sydney Municipality with strategic key cities in China. I wish to report that campaign is near completion with linkages to Chengdu, Chongqing, Wuhan, Nanjing and Shanghai/Pudong. More details can be found in my Comment to your December 2011 Baseline 2021 Report in the Sydney section on the ACCCI Website Homepage at [www.accci.com.au](http://www.accci.com.au)

<http://www.accci.com.au/JonesCommentonBaselineReport.pdf>

Given that you are also the Minister for Western Sydney, Chamber would welcome your support for a Western Sydney/Pudong relationship to anchor Greater Sydney with Shanghai - there is already an active Sydney-Shanghai Society with representation in both cities.

There are many benefits for NSW in these economic relationships if managed properly, an area of expertise that ACCCI has pioneered over 35 years. Most important is the deepening of NGO experience away from the bureaucracies that held Sydney/NSW captive during the long, some would say dark, years of Labor government.

A grant of \$250,000 would enable Chamber to act as a Secretariat for progressing the economic relationship with these five Chinese cities. ACCCI would report to whoever on a regular basis through our honorary accountants Holden & Bolster Pty.

In the context of Chamber's role in assisting the reorientation of Australia to face the challenges of a global society, and China's economic rise in it, ACCCI has decided to monitor/assist your new NSW State Government as per links already on our website concerning the following:

- 1) Baseline 2021 Report
- 2) Schott Report
- 3) Parsons Report
- 4) "Destination 2036" Dubbo Conference

I would welcome acknowledgement and a response to this email.

Yours

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President - ACCCI