

Media Release

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LABOR IS CREATING THE JOBS OF THE FUTURE

Victoria is becoming the national leader in AI – creating future-proof jobs and supercharging our economy.

Minister Pearson officially opened CDC's new data centre campus in Brooklyn.

Consisting of two state-of-the-art facilities, this will supercharge Victoria's computing power and digital capabilities.

And there's more to come.

Planning is already underway for a third facility on the site and a second campus in Laverton North.

These projects will collectively generate thousands of construction jobs and hundreds of ongoing jobs.

The centres will also inject more than \$4 billion into the Victorian economy.

Labor has supported CDC to build the Brooklyn campus, adding to the more than 40 data centres across the state.

CDC's massive expansion into Victoria footprint proves the state's strength in attracting and supporting world-class digital infrastructure.

Victoria is emerging as a leading data hub in the Asia Pacific, with CDC, Microsoft, AirTrunk and Amazon Web Services all choosing Victoria.

Companies continue to choose Victoria because of our competitive energy market, available industrial land, skilled workforce and culture of innovation.

Labor's \$5.5 million Sustainable Data Centre Action Plan is positioning the state as the national leader in sustainable data centre investment.

The plan will unlock projects worth up to \$25 billion in potential capital expenditure.

This forms a key part of Labor's *AI Mission Statement* – a bold vision to position Victoria as the national leader in AI – driving innovation, jobs and economic growth.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Economic Growth and Jobs Danny Pearson

"Big investments like this don't happen by chance – they happen because Victoria's digital tech sector is leading the nation."

"We're creating secure, future-proof jobs and attracting billions in investment to our state."

Quote attributable to Member for Laverton Sarah Connolly

"This new facility will mean more high-quality jobs and opportunities right here in Melbourne's west."

Quotes attributable to CDC Founder and CEO Greg Boorer

“We applaud the leadership of the Victorian Government, especially that of the Premier Jacinta Allan and Minister Danny Pearson in attracting investment and we will continue to invest in Victoria to bring to reality the benefits of AI and digital infrastructure in this region.”

“We’re proud to set the standard for sustainability by not consuming water for primary cooling, while supporting job creation and the thriving technology ecosystem in Victoria.”