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On behalf of the Melbourne Convention + Visitors Bureau (MCVB), I would like to thank the International League Against Epilepsy and International Bureau for Epilepsy for selecting Melbourne for the 8th Asian and Oceanian Epilepsy Congress – AOEC 2010.

Voted many times over as one of the world's most liveable cities, Melbourne, Australia, is celebrated for its world-class facilities, friendly locals, comprehensive transport system, efficient services and fine wine and dining. The city is set around the shores of a picturesque bay with immaculate parks, enchanting laneways, historical buildings and innovative design.

AOEC 2010 will be held at the state-of-the-art Melbourne Convention Centre, located in the city on the banks of the picturesque Yarra River. It is the first Convention Centre in the world with a '6 Star Green Star' environmental rating and is part of the AUD\$1.4 billion South Wharf development, Melbourne's newest shopping, dining and leisure precinct.

I encourage you to experience the best of Melbourne and regional Victoria via pre and post touring. Just one hour's drive will take you to a world away – you can experience spectacular coastline and scenery, get close to Australian wildlife, take your pick from 100 local vineyards, rest and relax at an award-winning day spa, or tee-off at a world-class golf course.

Melbourne is also recognised as a major centre for research and development in the medical field, providing the perfect setting for the AOEC.

We look forward to welcoming you to Melbourne in 2010.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Chipchase'.

Sandra Chipchase
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