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Invitation for Public Submissions

BROOKFIELD RAIL'S PROPOSED TRAIN MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES AND TRAIN PATH POLICY

The Economic Regulation Authority is seeking public comment on Brookfield Rail's proposed revised <u>Train Management Guidelines</u> (**TMG**) and <u>Train Path Policy</u> (**TPP**). These documents are available on the Authority's website in final and marked-up versions.

A railway owner's TMG provides a framework for the real-time management of services to be operated on a rail network. This ensures that services are operated in a safe, reliable and non-discriminatory manner. Under section 43(5) of the *Rail (Access) Code 2000* (**Code**) a TMG may be amended or replaced by the railway owner with the approval of the Regulator.

A railway owner's TPP is a statement of the policy that the railway owner will apply in the allocation of train paths and the provision of access to train paths that have ceased to be used. Under section 44(4) of the Code, a TPP may be amended or replaced by the railway owner with the approval of the Regulator.

Interested parties are invited to make submissions on the TMG and TPP by **4:00 pm (WST)** on Wednesday, 6 June 2012.

Submissions should be marked to the attention of Leonie Browner, Principal Regulatory Analyst.

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CONFIDENTIALITY

In general, all submissions from interested parties will be treated as being in the public domain and placed on the Authority's website. Where an interested party wishes to make a submission in confidence, it should clearly indicate the parts of the submission for which confidentiality is claimed, and specify in reasonable detail the basis for the claim. Any claim of confidentiality will be considered in accordance with the provisions of Section 50 of the *Railways (Access) Code 2000.*

The publication of a submission on the Authority's website shall not be taken as indicating that the Authority has knowledge either actual or constructive of the contents of a particular submission and, in particular, whether the submission in whole or part contains information of a confidential nature and no duty of confidence will arise for the Authority.

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