

PUBLICATION

BROOKFIELD RAIL

DRAFT DETERMINATIONS: PROPOSED REVISED TRAIN MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES AND TRAIN PATH POLICY

The Authority today published its draft determinations on revisions to <u>Train Management Guidelines</u> and <u>Train Path Policy</u> proposed by Brookfield Rail.

The Train Management Guidelines instrument is a statement of principles, rules and practices which will be applied in the real time management of services on the network. The Train Path Policy instrument is a statement of policy relating to the allocation of train paths in the negotiation and making of an access agreement.

The Railways (Access) Code 2000 (Code) establishes the requirements for Train Management Guidelines and Train Path Policy at Part 5 of the Code, sections 43 and 44.

Public consultation was carried out over a four week period from 3 May 2012, following submission of the proposed instruments by Brookfield Rail. The Authority considered all submissions in preparing its draft determinations.

Key Issues

While the draft determinations deal with a range of issues which arose from the assessment of Brookfield Rail's proposals, key issues include the following:

- Application of the instruments to out-of-Code track access arrangements
- Review and audit of the instruments
- Definition of 'operator' in the Code
- Dispute resolution procedures
- Provision for variations, cancellation and review of, and trading in train paths

Public Submissions

Interested parties are invited to make submissions on the draft determinations by **4:00 pm** (WST) on Friday 7 September 2012.

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

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