

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to update you on the development of the environment protection licences for rolling stock (train) and railway infrastructure (track) operators and some important changes to the timing of these licences being issued.

Following a significant consultation and listening program, the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) is currently finalising the conditions of the draft environment protection licences for rolling stock and railway infrastructure operators, in consultation with future licensees.

As is usual in this process, it is expected that some of the conditions, and timeframes relating to conditions, such as pollution reduction programs, pollution studies and reporting in the final licences, will have been updated from those proposed in the draft licence, following feedback.

COVID-19 has impacted our progress on issuing the licences and we now anticipate they will be issued by 5 August 2020. Until then, railway system activities will continue to be regulated under current licences.

I will provide you with a further update once the licences have been issued and are available on the Public Register.

If you would like to discuss this or require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me on 9995 5167 .

Yours faithfully,

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