



National Heavy Vehicle Regulator

Regulatory and Operational Benefits

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Overall Progress



- › Made a lot of progress in all aspects of developing the Regulator and the Heavy Vehicle National Law
- › Regulator has benefits for drivers, operators, manufacturers and suppliers in areas such as:
 - › Fatigue
 - › Access
 - › Chain of Responsibility
 - › Enforcement
 - › Vehicle Standards

Fatigue



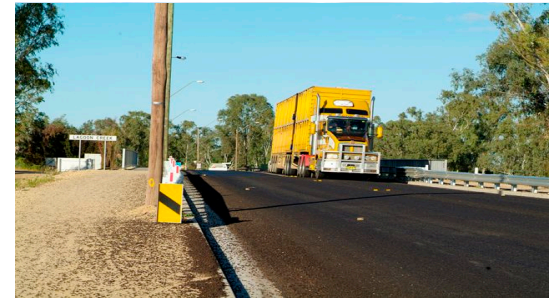
- › More flexible approaches to fatigue are being developed via revised AFM:
 - › Better use split rest breaks
 - › Longer driving hours when needed
 - › More day to day flexibility
- › Looking at making available to everyone the most flexible schemes or parts of schemes in Australia
- › Will be cheaper and easier to apply and faster to get approval
- › Major online tool being developed

Access



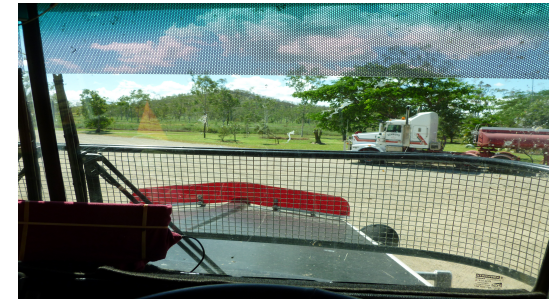
- › Cutting down the number of permits needed - one application and one permit no matter how far travelling
- › Will be able to track permit applications in the national permit system to see where they are up to
- › Regulator will provide technical assistance to Local Councils
- › Regulator can ask for permit decisions to be reviewed
- › Greater use of gazettal notices and national route mapping

Chain of Responsibility



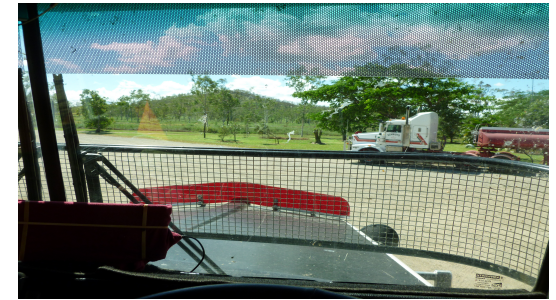
- › Regulator will have a very strong approach to CoR – responsible operators not disadvantaged by non compliance of others
- › Will have a dedicated team of investigators and prosecutors looking at participants in the supply chain not just drivers
- › Use information from all over Australia to determine who to investigate and when
- › Will be an anonymous complaints hotline to report suspected offences

Enforcement



- › Will be national training for enforcement officers
- › Regulator will have service agreement requirements for the use of national policies and procedures at checking stations and in on road interceptions
- › Developing consistent dimension and mass tolerances and testing standards
- › Will be same standards for clearance of defect notices irrespective of garaging address
- › Working on getting agreements with Police in states and territories about enforcement

Vehicle Standards



- › Current vehicle standards will remain in force – Commonwealth role will continue
- › Removal of inconsistent application and enforcement of vehicle standards
- › Recognition of modifications throughout Australia – consistent accreditation, inspection and auditing of authorised and approved persons, engineers and facilities
- › Current vehicle inspection regimes will continue – inspections will be conducted to same standard

More Information



- › 'Road to Regulator' newsletter – via website subscription
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