
HAPPY NEW YEAR



Dear rail industry participants

A belated welcome to 2017 to you all. We are still waiting for summer to arrive in the capital, but with Autumn a few weeks away, I don't like our chances. I'm looking forward to 2017 as we continue to develop our role as the safety regulator and work more effectively with you.

You will hear more from me about that soon, however in the interim please find below a short note containing some staffing changes in the rail safety team.

Regards,

Debbie Despard
National Manager Rail Safety

TEAM ARRIVALS & DEPARTURES

Since Christmas, we have had some further changes in the Rail Safety team. Please join us in welcoming the following team members:

James House, Senior Rail Safety Officer

James joins us from the UK where he has spent the past decade working in the rail industry. His knowledge and expertise have been put to good use already in the few weeks that he has been with us, and he is looking forward to getting to know the New Zealand rail industry and participants through his duties as a licence manager and safety assessor.

Kitty August, Operations Analyst

Kitty joins the team from within the Transport Agency, where she has been working in the internal audit and risk area. She is busy investigating and implementing ways to help us improve the effectiveness of our operations management.

Regretfully two farewells are also in order:

Merv Harvey, Principal Rail Safety Advisor

After almost 14 years with the Transport Agency, Merv has made the decision to retire. His last day with the Rail Safety team will be the 28th of February. We wish him all the best with this next chapter of his life, getting the time to do more of those things that he loves to do – travel, motorbikes and family.

Erin Moyle, Senior Rail Safety Officer

Erin has decided to pull back from fulltime work and spend time focusing on her family, and

as such has resigned from her Transport Agency role. Until a replacement is found for Erin, Senior Rail Safety Officer Justin Vincent will undertake full management of investigations for the team.



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