

# VicTrack

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Dear Dominic,

## **Application to extend current Access Arrangement till 31 May 2017**

In accordance with the Rail Management Act 1997 VicTrack lodges this formal application to the Essential Services Commission for renewal of the current Access Arrangement 4 (AA) which terminates on 30 April 2015.

As noted in correspondence between VicTrack and Essential Services Commission of Victoria (dated 17 December 2014), VicTrack understands that the Department of Transport, Planning and Local Infrastructure is considering major substantial changes to the Victorian rail access regime in 2015. In order to avoid unnecessary costs in establishing a new access arrangement shortly before such major changes are made, VicTrack wishes to extend the expiry date of the current access arrangement by two (2) years.

The Rail Management Act 1996 has been amended to allow for an access arrangement's expiry date to be extended for this reason.

I have attached a marked-up copy of the current AA that takes into consideration the above. The proposed changes are listed in the table on page two, along with comments outlining the reasons for the proposed changes.

Yours sincerely



**Craig Pitcher**  
**Senior Manager, Logistics and Transport**  
**Rail, Road and Freight Group, VicTrack**

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cc: Patrick Ho, Essential Services Commission of Victoria  
Mr Andrew Kyriacou, General Manager, Rail, Road and Freight Group  
Rene Noguera, Commercial Manager, Rail, Road and Freight Group

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Page	Clause	Change	Comments
Cover	N/A	Access Agreement identification increases from 4 to 5 New end date	Changed to reflect the application to extend by 2 years
5	2.1.2(b) 2.1.4 2.1.4 2.2 2.3.2(c)	Delete reference to "North Melbourne Creek Sidings" Delete "due for completion in December 2012" Insert additional note re: North Melbourne Creek Sidings Increase period from 3 years to 5 years Grammatical	No longer administered by VicTrack Commissioned August 2013 No longer administered by VicTrack Changed to reflect the application to extend by 2 years
6 & 8	2.5.1 & 4.2.5	Replace "Director, Rail Group" with "Senior Manager, Logistics and Transport"	Change of contact title
8	4.1.2(e)	Replace "VicTrack, Manager Service Delivery" with "Rail Operations Coordinator, Dynon"	Change of contact details
9	4.3.2	Replace "VicTrack, Manager Service Delivery" with "Senior Manager, Logistics and Transport"	Change of contact details
34	Appendix 4	Delete map of "North Melbourne Creek Sidings"	No longer administered by VicTrack
50 to 51	Appendix 6	Grammatical	
55	Appendix 8	Remove reference to 2015	No change in pricing derivation is being requested in this application to extend.
57	Appendix 9	Replace "VicTrack, Manager Service Delivery" with "Rail Operations Coordinator, Dynon"	Change of contact details