



27 November 2017

Mr Dominic L'Huillier
Director, Transport
Essential Services Commission of Victoria
Level 37/2 Lonsdale Street
Melbourne Victoria 3000

Dear Mr L'Huillier,

V/Line Access Arrangement – extension of expiry date

I am writing to request a variation to the current V/Line Access Arrangement to extend the expiry date from 31 December 2017 to 31 December 2018.

V/Line understands that the Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport & Resources is expected to implement substantial changes to the Victorian Rail Access Regime in 2018. In order to avoid unnecessary costs in establishing a new access arrangement shortly before such major changes are made, we wish to extend the expiry date of our current access arrangement by 12 months.

We note that the *Rail Management Act 1996* has been amended to allow for an access arrangement's expiry date to be extended.

No other variation to the V/Line Access Arrangement is sought.

If you have any queries in relation to this request, please contact Marinela Boariu Acting GM Corporate Planning, Contracts and Reporting, on [REDACTED] or via email at [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'James Pinder', written over a white background.

James Pinder
Chief Executive