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Ms Freda Villella  
Coroners Registrar  
Coroners Court of Victoria  
65 Kavanagh Street  
**SOUTHBANK VIC 3006**



Dear Ms Villella

### **INQUEST INTO THE DEATH OF MARTIN YIM**

I refer to your letter dated 1 October 2015, seeking VicRoads' response to Recommendation 2 of Coroner White's findings in the Inquest into the death of Martin Yim (Court Ref. COR 2007 003518), and provide the following:

The Coroner's recommendation states:

*I further endorse the recommendation made by Dr Rechnitzner concerning the need for a review by VicRoads of VicRoads Design Note RDN 32 Accessible Tram stops in Medians, having regard to the lessons emerging from his own investigation and report into this accident. If it is the case that review and adjustment to RDN 32 has not already occurred, then I recommend that a further review now take place.*

As you are aware, VicRoads is responsible for maintaining Road Design Note (RDN) 32 (since renamed RDN 3-02), Accessible Tram Stops in Medians. VicRoads is also responsible for maintaining RDN 3-03, Accessible Tram Stops in Safety Zones.

Both RDN 3-02 and RDN 3-03 were last updated in 2010 to accord with the requirements of the new Austroads Guide to Road Design, also released in 2010, superseding the previously used VicRoads Road Design Guidelines.

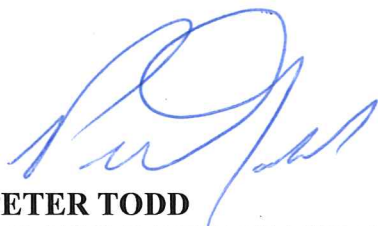
A further update of RDN 3-02 and RDN 3-03 will be undertaken by VicRoads by the end of 2016. This will include information from the latest revision of the Victorian Rail Industry Operators Group Standards (VRIOGS 005.3) Tram Platform Standard (2014), as well as consideration being given to the relevant recommendations and safety issues identified in Dr Rechnitzer's report.

The latest version of RDN 3.02 or RDN 03.03 may be accessed on the VicRoads website [www.vicroads.vic.gov.au](http://www.vicroads.vic.gov.au) by clicking on 'Business and Industry' and using the 'Technical Documents Search' to look for 'Accessible Tram Stops'.

Information relating to the Austroads Guide to Road Design is located at [www.austroads.com.au](http://www.austroads.com.au) under 'Road Construction', then 'Road Design' and finally, 'Guide to Road Design'.

Should you require any further information on this matter, Mr Con Stasinos, VicRoads' Acting Director, Network Policy & Standards (Tel: 03 9854 2015), would be pleased to assist.

Yours sincerely



**PETER TODD**  
**ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

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