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29 November 2013

Coroner Hendtlass
Coroners Court of Victoria
Level 11
222 Exhibition Street
MELBOURNE 3000

Dear Coroner Hendtlass,

Recommendation in the matter of GRAEME ANDREW DUNN

I refer to your Findings and Recommendation published in relation to the death of Graeme Andrew Dunn, and sent to WorkSafe in a letter dated 14 August 2013 which recommended that

"Workcover should distribute an Industry Alert to heavy vehicle operators and to heavy vehicle repairers to notify them of the long-term consequences of performing inappropriate repairs and inadequate maintenance on prime movers."

WorkSafe has considered the above Recommendation and wishes to advise that the Recommendation will be implemented. WorkSafe intends to publish an Industry Alert (the Alert) and distribute this to Victorian entities in the road transport industry. There are approximately 7,000 organisations who fall within this category who will be made aware of the Alert. WorkSafe will publish the Alert on its website, instruct our inspectors to hand out the Alert during "side of road blitzes" and request that the Victorian Transport Association distribute the Alert to its members.

In July 2013 WorkSafe ran a one month pilot project specifically addressing how transport operators ensure their vehicles are maintained, in particular what systems for maintenance they have in place. The pilot used data provided by VicRoads to target operators who had deficiencies in their vehicle maintenance systems.

This project will be rolled out more widely during 2013 and 2014 and information about this proactive WorkSafe activity will be included with the Alert. It is anticipated that the Alert will be prepared and distribution commenced by the end of January 2014.

WorkSafe thanks you for providing your findings in relation to the death of Graeme Andrew Dunn.

Yours faithfully,

Denise Cosgrove
Chief Executive
Victorian WorkCover Authority