Internal Memo

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From

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Re

Traffic Adjustment of "A" class trams

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Ref

24 Traffic Adjustments.doc

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Concerns have been raised by the Kew Depot Starters due to a number of Tram Drivers at the depot that are restricted to drive a single class be it "A class only" or "Citadis only" trams.

Some of the concerns you have discussed with me include:

- "A" class only and "Citadis only" drivers are being allocated shifts that they are not able to work due to their restrictions.
- "A" class only and "Citadis only" drivers are swapping for shifts that they are not able to work due to their restrictions.
- "A" class only and "Citadis only" drivers are being issued overtime to work on shifts that they are not able to work due to their restrictions.

This has lead to a resolution (attached) being put forward proposing action to be taken because of the need to perform additional Traffic Adjustments.

This issue is not new and I have been in discussion with both the RTBU representatives and Yarra Trams roster department to introduce a roster that allows us to address the issue of drivers restricted to drive a single class of tram only. Unfortunately, due to a number of issues outside of my control, the new roster has not been implemented to date.

I have recently been advised that this may now occur in January 2008. I would expect that this will resolve the concerns you have raised with your resolution on a permanent basis.

In the meantime as a means of resolving this issue until the more permanent solution is implemented I will implement a number of work practices that I believe will resolve your concerns.

They are:

- Restricted drivers will only be allowed to swap their shift for shifts that their restrictions allow them to work.
- Restricted drivers will only be allocated overtime on shifts that they are able to work.
- Where a restricted driver has not changed his shift to work on a shift that will allow them to perform duties within their restrictions, they will have their shift changed to a shift that they will be able to work.

