

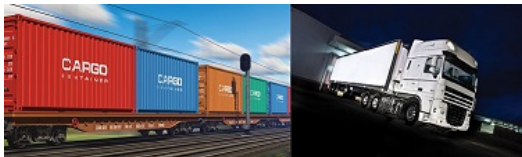


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Positive response to VTA Cleaner Freight Initiative proposal

A proposal by the VTA and the Maribyrnong Track Action Group that would provide longer access to curfewed roads in Melbourne's inner west to fuel efficient trucks, operated by drivers that have had specific community amenity training, has been warmly received by many sectors of the transport industry. The plan, which is currently with the Roads Minister and VicRoads, would improve productivity for operators that qualify by enabling them to use curfewed roads for longer. Further information about the plan is available [here](#), or by contacting the VTA on 9646 8590.

Media and Big Rigs Podcast highlight innovative VTA proposal

The VTA Cleaner Freight Initiative announced last week received extensive media coverage in both mainstream and industry publications. Melbourne's Age newspaper ran a lengthy [piece](#) on the proposal, and notable industry magazines [ATN](#), [Prime Mover](#), [The DCN](#) and [Big Rigs](#) also running the story. VTA Peter Anderson was interviewed by Big Rigs for their weekly Podcast, which is available [here](#).

October 1 CoR law changes prompts advice from Fleet Effect

As 1st October and the corresponding changes to Chain of Responsibility law taking effect fast approaches, the need to manage speed, fatigue, maintenance, as well as job management is growing in importance for operators who use sub-contractors. As a leader in paperless CoR compliance, VTA supporter Fleet Effect reminds operators it can deliver the

solutions to these important requirements to the sub-contractor's smartphone (Android and/or iOS). For further information follow this [link](#).

NTI backs calls for national solution to driver shortages

The VTA has been extremely vocal in recent months on the issue of heavy vehicle driver shortages, and measures governments and statutory authorities should consider to attract drivers to the industry. National Transport Insurance (NTI) is the latest industry participant to [throw its support](#) behind a national solution to this problem, which will only worsen as major infrastructure projects requiring thousands of truck movements get started. We applaud the NTI for the practical steps it is taking to encourage greater uptake in careers in transport.

Regional Roads Victoria officially open for business

Victoria's new, dedicated country roads body, **Regional Roads Victoria**, opened its doors in Ballarat this week. The new division of **VicRoads** will oversee the Government's record \$941 million investment in regional roads, and hits the ground running with major rebuilds starting this month on sections of the Hume Highway at Winton, the Princes Highway near Moe and Borung Highway at Dimboola. Roads Minister **Luke Donnellan** says as the weather warms, crews will be out in force delivering hundreds more road upgrades across the State. More than 1,500 kilometres of country roads will be repaired, resurfaced or rebuilt under a record \$333 million maintenance program – creating around 650 construction jobs in regional Victoria.

Registration opens for VTA Golf Day at Commonwealth

The VTA is now accepting registrations for the annual VTA Golf Day at Commonwealth Golf Club on Monday, 12 November. The TWUSUPER sponsored event is one of the most popular on the VTA's social calendar, and those interested in participating individually or as part of a team are urged to register early to avoid missing out. Hole sponsorships are also available by contacting Kevin Halpin on 9646 8590. To register visit the VTA [website](#) or complete a registration [form](#), which also contains pricing and event information.

TMW Systems transitions to Trimble

VTA supporter TMW Systems is being [re-named Trimble](#), as part of a global branding transition that will see a number of the company's brands taking on the Trimble name. TMW Systems is a leading provider of enterprise software to transportation and logistics operations. For further information contact Mike Maddocks on 0438 957 477 or email mmaddocks@tmwsystems.com

Training programs

- [Chain of Responsibility – Fatigue Management](#) – 3 October 2018
- [Master class – Leadership Skills](#) – 18 October 2018
- [Chain of Responsibility – Awareness](#) – 14 November 2018
- [Prescribed Industrial Waste](#) – 25 September, 2 October and 9 October 2018.

Upcoming events

- [TWUSUPER Golf Day](#), November 12
- [VTA Christmas Lunch](#); December 7