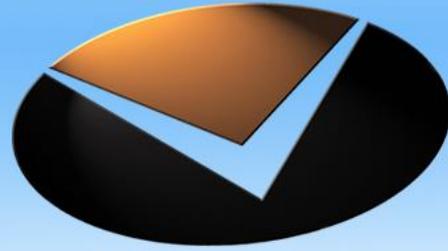




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NTC seeks feedback on fatigue management regulation

The [National Transport Commission \(NTC\)](#) has released an issues paper seeking feedback on how to better regulate fatigue management as part of the Heavy Vehicle National Law (HVNL) review. Opinions are being sought from industry on current fatigue regulations and the issues relating to the existing law, to find options for effectively managing fatigue risk. This is the second of eight issues papers in a rolling consultation, in which the NTC will develop a consultation Regulatory Impact Statement for comment before taking recommendations to ministers in November 2020. Submission are open until 16 August 2019. For further information or to make a submission please click [here](#).

VTA congratulates Prime Minister on electoral success

The VTA has written to Prime Minister Scott Morrison to congratulate him and his Government on their electoral success at the weekend. We also congratulate Michael McCormack on his re-election as Leader of the Nationals and Deputy Prime Minister. The VTA looks forward to building on the many positive relationships we have established with ministers and parliamentarians right across the political spectrum, so that we can continue to achieve policy and regulatory settings that benefit the transport industry and supply chains in general.

NHVR mapping system provides greater route access

Extra functionality has been added to the mapping system on the [National Heavy Vehicle Regulator](#) Portal which will now allow heavy vehicle operators access to an additional 1,500 routes when journey planning. NHVR Chairman Duncan Gray recently confirmed the NHVR will roll out this feature for more than 2000 pre-approved routes across Australia. Operators can now plan their own journey using this additional information on the NHVR Portal. To access the NHVR portal please click [here](#).

Registration opens for VTA Transport Industry Business Briefing

Registration is now open for a special **Transport Industry Business Briefing** held by the VTA in conjunction with Westpac Equipment Finance. The briefing has been scheduled to follow the Federal Election and Victorian and Federal Budgets, providing a timely update and economic outlook that factors in these three important events. Held from 4-6pm on Tuesday, 11 June at Westpac House, Level 12, 150 Collins Street, Melbourne, the event will include a presentation from Senior Westpac Economist Matthew Hassan, followed by a Q&A session and refreshments. Further event information can be found [here](#) or to register visit the [online booking page](#) or email events@vta.com.au by Friday, 7 June.

NHVR investigates CoR and HVNL breaches

The [NHVR](#) has reminded transport executives to be aware of responsibilities under national Chain of Responsibility (CoR) laws. The Regulator is currently undertaking six investigations of serious breaches under the act, including allegations of directions to disregard work and rest requirements, the absence of a system for managing risks, ineffective driver monitoring systems, and poor load restraint practices. The NHVR has a variety of tools available for operators to monitor and improve supply chain practices including the [NHVR's Safety Management System](#) or the [Registered Industry Code of Practice](#). Please contact the VTA on 03 9646 8590 with any queries you have about your CoR obligations.

Last chance to support Whitelion's Annual Bail Out fund-raising event

The VTA [Transport Torts](#) team is participating in today's **Lock Up** at the **Old Melbourne Goal Watch House** in support of [Whitelion's](#) Annual Bail Out fund-raising event. We appreciate the generous donations from supporters that sees us now only \$1500 short of our \$10,000 fundraising goal! Final donations can be made by following the link to the donation [page](#). All donations raised will go to Whitelion in support of their valuable work

they do with young people and are tax deductible (\$2). Further information about Whitelion and their terrific work please visit <https://www.whitelion.asn.au/>.

Training

- [Prescribed Industrial Waste](#) –28th of May, 4th, 15th & 18th of June 2019
- Chain of Responsibility – [Safety Management Systems](#) – 29th May 2019
- Chain of Responsibility –[Awareness for Managers & Customers](#) – 5th June 2019
- Chain of Responsibility –[Sub Contractor Management](#) – 12th June 2019
- Master Class – [Leadership Skills](#) – 13th June 2019
- [Pallet Management for Pallet Controllers](#) – 19th June 2019
- Chain of Responsibility – [Safety Management Systems](#) – 26th June 2019

Upcoming Events

- [Transport Industry Business Briefing](#), 11 June, Westpac House, Collins Street, Melbourne
- Port Outlook, 6 August, [Sketch Docklands](#)
- Australian Freight Industry Awards, 7 September, Crown Palladium Ballroom