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MEMORANDUM

To: General Manager – Capital Projects
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Subject: **REPORT ON MEETING OF AUSTRROADS REVIEW PANEL FOR PROJECT DELIVERY PUBLICATION SERIES (TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMME): SYDNEY 13 APRIL 2005**

Background

The Austroads Technology Programme objective is to promote improved practice in technology by the development and maintenance of an Austroads publication series consisting of:

- ▶ Bridge Technology
- ▶ Pavement Technology
- ▶ *Project Delivery (# subject of this memo)*
- ▶ Project Evaluation
- ▶ Road Design
- ▶ Traffic Management
- ▶ Transport Planning

Attachments

Attachment A: Project Delivery Series Structure (Appendix 1)
Attachment B: Technology Programme Timetable

Work Programme

The purpose of the Review Panel meeting of 13 April 2005, was to refine the proposed series content, to agree on Chapters 2 & 6, and to initially scope Chapter 3 on Project Planning and Control.

There was much discussion on removing detail and jurisdictional procedure out of the text to make it more general in nature.

There was also a lot of discussion on the Resource Competency section, with a conclusion that this might be too hard an issue to tackle to generically fit each jurisdiction. The ARRB consultants will consider re-writing this to reflect more roles and responsibilities.

Other Items of Discussion

- ▶ The Australian States talked about the issue of training in the industry, which is seen as a big and looming issue in regard to loss of skill. Some States like Queensland, have legislated to require companies to devote 10% of man hours to training.
- ▶ Queensland are developing an early contractor involvement contract model, which will be available in early June 2005, and is based on a UK model. This differs from an alliance in that the model does not tie-up Client resource so much, and it can result in traditional physical works contracts, such as a schedule of rates.
- ▶ New South Wales are progressing a competitive Alliance contract with two parties. There is a philosophical debate whether this is a good thing to do or not. NSW note that their suppliers are so keen on alliancing that they support it with no payments to the losing team and loss of any intellectual property to Client. A downside is the additional Client Resource required and probity in terms of bid confidentiality.

Benefits & Relevance to New Zealand

It is still considered that the work on this publication series will be of direct benefit to Transit New Zealand.

Recommendations

It is recommended that Transit continues to participate in this Review Panel until completion of the series in the 2006/07 year, and attends the next meeting - probably in Tasmania in July/August 2005.

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