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Title / Subject:

Temporary removal of authorisation to provide safeworking services on ARTC's rail network for SKILLED Rail Services Pty Ltd (Programmed Rail)

Description:

This alert is being issued to all users of the ARTC network requiring safeworking services, with immediate effect, SKILLED Rail Services Pty Ltd (Programmed Rail) are not authorised to perform safeworking services on the ARTC Network, with the exception of safeworking services provided to B2A Tranche 1 works for Inland Rail under ARTC's contract with McConnell Dowell.

Please view the FAQs in Links to Supporting Documentation for further guidance.

Action Required:

Brief your team as relevant and refer FAQs for further guidance.

For more information:

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Links to Supporting Documentation:

<https://www.artc.com.au/uploads/COMM-0000017-FAQs.pdf>

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FAQs

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General:

Question	Answer
1. What locations and roles are impacted by the temporary removal of authorisation to provide safeworking services on ARTC's rail network for SKILLED Rail Services Pty Ltd (Programmed Rail)?	<p>This applies to all rules area books and all ARTC safeworking roles for works occurring under ARTC's rail accreditation.</p> <p>This doesn't impact Rolling Stock Operators where they are operating under their own accreditation on ARTC's network.</p> <p>This doesn't impact other Rail Infrastructure Maintainers requiring adjacent line protection where they are operating under their own accreditation on ARTC's network (as per RLS-PR-003).</p>
2. When will Programmed Rail's authorisation to provide safeworking services resume on ARTC's rail network?	ARTC and Programmed Rail are working together to clarify this date. When the date is known it will be communicated.
3. What do I do if I have a question that isn't answered in the FAQs?	<p>If you are a contractor, please contact the relevant ARTC Project Manager or ARTC Representative identified in the contract particulars in your contract with ARTC.</p> <p>If you are a third party, please contact the relevant person for your works in ARTC's third Party Works team.</p> <p>If you are an ARTC employee please contact your leader.</p>

For ARTC managed worksites:

Question	Answer
1. What do I need to do if Programmed Rail are currently providing safeworking services for my worksite, to my team or as a subcontractor to a Contractor that I manage?	<p>Work must stop at the first available safe opportunity e.g. no later than the end of the shift. Work can continue:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Once another panel member appointed to ARTC's Safeworking Services Panel can provide the required safeworking services; or• If you have engaged a contractor to perform the work and the contractor is an authorised self-performer organisation utilising additional resources from Programmed Rail, when suitable safeworking personnel that the contractor employs or are sourced from

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	<p>another panel member, are able to provide the safeworking services.</p> <p>The panel members appointed to ARTC's Safeworking Services panel by rules area book, including contact details, can be found here: Safeworking Services - ARTC</p>
<p>2. What do I need to do if I have engaged Programmed Rail to provide safe working services in the next 3 months?</p>	<p>Seek quotes for the required safeworking services from another panel member appointed to ARTC's Safeworking Services Panel. In the event Programmed Rail are not authorised to provide safeworking services when your works are planned to occur you must engage another panel member appointed to ARTC's Safeworking Services Panel to provide the safeworking services you require.</p> <p>The panel members appointed to ARTC's Safeworking Services panel by rules area book, including contact details, can be found here: Safeworking Services - ARTC</p>
<p>3. I have obtained alternative quotations from ARTC's Safeworking Services Panel and they are nominating workers that have recently worked for Programmed Rail and they hold the required Statement of Competence for the required safeworking role. Is this OK?</p>	<p>Yes, subject to your review that the nominated safeworking personnel holds the relevant RIW competency, they are able to perform the required safeworking services.</p>
<p>4. I manage a contractor who has subcontracted safeworking services to Programmed Rail in the next 3 months</p>	<p>This safety alert is being sent to all ARTC contractors. It is recommended that you instruct your contractor to seek quotes for the required safeworking services from another panel member appointed to ARTC's Safeworking Services Panel. In the event Programmed Rail are not authorised to provide safeworking services when your works are planned to occur another panel member appointed to ARTC's Safeworking Services Panel must be engaged to provide the safeworking services you require.</p> <p>The panel members appointed to ARTC's Safeworking Services panel by rules area book, including contact details, can be found here: Safeworking Services - ARTC</p>

For worksites ARTC has appointed a contractor to manage:

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