

TRANSPORT FOR LONDON

**SAFETY, HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

**SUBJECT: CROSSRAIL – MANAGEMENT OF HEALTH, SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENT**

**DATE: 18 NOVEMBER 2008**

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**1 PURPOSE AND DECISION REQUIRED**

1.1 This report outlines the current status of HSE management in CLRL and the proposals for the provision of assurance to TfL's Safety Health and Environment Committee (SHEC). The Committee is asked to NOTE the report.

**2 BACKGROUND**

2.1 CLRL will join TfL shortly. Arrangements are in place for CLRL to demonstrate that health safety and environment matters are being managed effectively and to enable appropriate assurance to be given.

**3 MANAGEMENT OF HSE IN CLRL**

3.1 The current CLRL Health and Safety management system has the following main elements:

- a) There is a Health and Safety Manual defining organisation, procedures and reporting arrangements for Health and Safety.
- b) A Board Health and Safety Committee meets quarterly and reviews Health and Safety systems and performance.
- c) The Executive Committee meets each Period with Health and Safety as the first agenda item, and reviews the Period Health and Safety Reports.
- d) An annual audit of the Health and Safety Management System is undertaken; a major external audit was undertaken in 2006/07, and an internal audit against ISO 18001 was undertaken in 2007/08.
- e) An Annual Health and Safety Report is produced and reviewed by the Health and Safety Committee.
- f) An Annual Health and Safety Plan of improvement measures is produced and reviewed by the Health and Safety Committee. Progress against the Plan is reported each Period to the Executive Committee.

3.2 CLRL's Board has adopted the TfL Group HSE Policy Statement as its overall HSE policy and is proposing to develop a subsidiary CLRL Project HSE Policy focussing on design and construction safety issues.

3.3 CLRL is currently reviewing its Health and Safety management system with a view to establishing agreed reporting arrangements to meet TfL Group

requirements and to adopting Level 1 standards from TfL's HSE management system and Level 2 standards where appropriate.

- 3.4 In addition, under the revised governance arrangements now being implemented, the CLRL Board Health and Safety Committee will become the Health, Safety Environmental & Security Committee. As a result of this reporting and review arrangements for environmental and security matters will be incorporated into CLRL's current Health and Safety management system.

#### **4 PROVISION OF ASSURANCE TO SHEC**

- 4.1 Following discussions HSE assurance arrangements have been incorporated into the draft CLRL governance agreements and have been substantially agreed by CLRL.

- 4.2 The governance agreements state:

- a) CLRL shall ensure that its health safety and environment management systems comply and are consistent with the TfL Group health, safety and environment management systems.
- b) CLRL shall provide assurance to TfL's Safety, Health and Environment Committee by:
  - i) providing an annual health, safety and environment assurance letter
  - ii) providing quarterly updates on health, safety and environment matters of significance
  - iii) contributing to the TfL Annual Health and Safety Report and the TfL Annual Environment Report
  - iv) reporting on health and safety legal compliance matters
  - v) providing annual health and safety improvement plans
  - vi) providing independent audit reports of CLRL's health, safety and environment management systems.

#### **5 CONCLUSIONS**

- 5.1 With the above in place CLRL will be in a very similar situation with regard to the management and provision of HSE, security/resilience assurance as the existing TfL modes.

#### **6 RECOMMENDATION(S)**

- 6.1 The Committee is asked to NOTE the report.

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