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## **Sydney Trains Executive joins Rail Manufacturing CRC Board**

The Rail Manufacturing Cooperative Research Centre (CRC) is strengthening industry representation on its Board following the appointment of Jasbir Tumber, Deputy Executive Director Fleet Maintenance at Sydney Trains at its recent Annual General Meeting.

“I am very pleased to officially welcome Jas to the Rail Manufacturing CRC Board,” said Paul Johnson, Rail Manufacturing CRC Chairman.

“By bringing the voice from one of Australia’s leading rail operators to the table, his insights will support an even more meaningful dialogue and identification of strong rail research and development opportunities to pursue.”

The Rail Manufacturing CRC works to foster, sponsor and direct collaborative research and commercialisation partnerships in Australia’s rail manufacturing sector.

“I’m extremely grateful for the opportunity to serve on the Rail Manufacturing Cooperative Research Centre Board and look forward to making a contribution to advancing the rail industry,” Mr Tumber said.

“Rail transport in Australia is undergoing unprecedented levels of investment and there is significant opportunity for operators and industry to work together to innovate and deliver seamless customer focused services.”

In addition to Jas’ appointment, the Rail Manufacturing CRC has also recently commenced a project with Sydney Trains on the delivery of predictive maintenance models for their business, in conjunction with the University of Technology Sydney.

Jas joins existing Board Members Paul Johnson MBE (Independent Chair), Bronwyn Constance (Independent Director), Dr Stuart Thomson (CEO), Michael Miller (Downer Group), Michael McLellan (Knorr-Bremse Australia) and Prof Grant Stanley (CQUniversity).

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### **About the Rail Manufacturing CRC**

The Rail Manufacturing CRC directs collaborative innovative research and commercialisation partnerships between key stakeholders in the rail manufacturing sector, looking to support the development of new products, technologies and supply chain networks to increase Australia’s rail manufacturing capacity and competitiveness. The Centre was established in 2014 and will operate for a period of six years, funded by the Business Cooperative Research Centres Programme of the Australian Government’s Department of Industry, Innovation and Science.

### **About Sydney Trains**

Sydney Trains operates and maintains the greater Sydney metropolitan and Intercity network. Our vision is to keep Sydney moving by delivering safe, customer focused, reliable and clean rail services. We contribute to the success of transport in NSW by running effective and efficient rail services which exceed our customers’ expectations, support growth and contribute to the broader community and economy.

### **For more information**

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