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BACKGROUND

This document along with issue 2 of GM/RT2000 supersedes GM/RT2002.

The revision to the Engineering acceptance process contained in the issue 2 of GM/RT2000 removes the requirement for separate certification for acceptance testing.

As the strategy in GM/RT2000 conflicted with the current issue of GM/RT2002 there was a need to review the controls set out in this document as well.

The current issue of GM/RT2002 describes in detail the requirements for the testing of rail vehicles. These requirements split broadly into two areas:

- i) how to ensure the tests are adequate and
- ii) how to ensure the tests do not introduce operational risks.

The requirements in point ii) are already covered in GO/RT3270 but only in very high level terms.

KEY CHANGES INTRODUCED BY THIS RAILWAY GROUP STANDARD

This document sets out the good practice relating to the operational risks that were in GM/RT2002. At the same time this good practice has been reviewed and brought up to date.

These changes do not introduce any new controls.

COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

Not applicable as this is a RACoP.

NON COMPLIANCES

There are no Non Compliances affected by the introduction of this document.