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ITEM

Public Risk and Work Health and Safety (WH&S) Management Update

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board note the information provided on Public Risk and WH&S matters.

BACKGROUND

The Board has requested information on Public Risk and WH&S matters be presented on a quarterly basis.

CURRENT POSITION

Workplace Health and Safety

At 2 November 2017 five claims have been lodged for the 2017-18 financial year. There have been no new claims since the last reporting period.

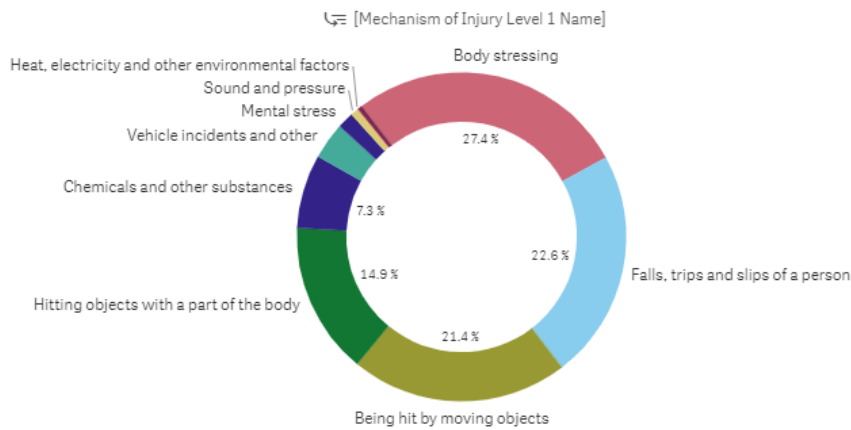
| 2017/18 | | | | |
|---------|----------------|--|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| No | Date of Injury | Type of Injury | Cause of Injury | Hours lost |
| 1 | 3/07/2017 | Disc bulge or prolapse | Bending over | TBC |
| 2 | 12/07/2017 | Tenosynovitis of extensor tendon R forearm | Jackhammering | Medical expenses only |
| 3 | 13/07/2017 | L lower costo-chondral cartilage tear | Removing rubble from tracks | 22.8 |
| 4 | 2/08/2017 | Petrol in R ear | Working on air blocked fuel line | Medical expenses only |
| 5 | 4/08/2017 | R pectoral muscle strain | Shovelling | TBC |

Workers compensation statistics for the last five years:

4. Claims Table Summary
(Reportable and non-Reportable Claims)

| Last 5 FY Report... | Number of Claims # | Avg Net Incurred Cost | Net Incurred Cost \$ | Total Amount Paid \$ | Latest Estimate \$ | Amount Recovered \$ |
|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Totals | 248 | \$6,202.74 | \$1,538,279.93 | \$1,452,875.49 | \$85,404.44 | \$0.00 |
| Before | 194 | \$6,739.62 | \$1,307,486.15 | \$1,264,604.34 | \$42,881.81 | \$0.00 |
| FY 13-14 | 14 | \$4,343.25 | \$60,805.53 | \$58,561.60 | \$2,243.93 | \$0.00 |
| FY 14-15 | 8 | \$969.57 | \$7,756.58 | \$7,756.58 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| FY 15-16 | 9 | \$4,356.44 | \$39,208.00 | \$39,208.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| FY 16-17 | 18 | \$5,312.31 | \$95,621.60 | \$80,747.76 | \$14,873.84 | \$0.00 |
| FY 17-18 | 5 | \$5,480.41 | \$27,402.07 | \$1,997.21 | \$25,404.86 | \$0.00 |

3. Mechanism of Injury
(Reportable and non-Reportable Claims)



Actions taken to address the incidence of injury include Workplace WH&S matters being discussed and addressed at monthly staff meetings, including reviews of Job Safety Analysis and Hazard Identification.

Public Risk Management

Board staff and representatives of other response agencies undertook Oil Spill Response Training as arranged by NSW Roads and Maritime Services on 24 October 2017.

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It is recommended that the Board note the information provided on WH&S and Public Risk matters.

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