

Notice to Rail Transport Operators

Safety Alert

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1 Subject

Identification of asbestos on locomotive main air reservoir gasket

2 Issue

The Office of the National Rail Safety Regulator (ONRSR) has been advised by CF Asia Pacific of the identification of asbestos on a locomotive main air reservoir gasket.

ONRSR notes that the gasket may be present on similar locomotives of other rail transport operators.

ONRSR advises all rail transport operators to read the attached safety alert issued by CF Asia Pacific and take action where appropriate.

This advice is effective immediately

Peter Doggett

Chief Operating Officer



1. DESCRIPTION of RELATING EVENT

1.1 Event report no. yyyymmdd OCM ZZ ##	Hazard report dated 18 December 2018	1.2 Reported by	SH	1.3 Date of Event	18 Dec 2018
1.4 Location	CFCLAM Islington Workshop, South Australia				
1.5 Event name	Identification of asbestos on locomotive main air reservoir gasket				
1.6 Event type	Hazardous material				
1.7 Event description	Asbestos material was found whilst replacing a gasket fitted to the main air reservoir of EL62				
1.8 Supporting documents	Hazard report dated 18 December 2018				

2. SAFETY ALERT - 190115 SA ZT

2.1 Alert date	15 Jan 2019	Effective from	15 Jan 2019	Until	Further notice
2.2 Title	Identification of asbestos on locomotive main air reservoir gasket				
2.3 System/equipment	2.3.1 This alert is applicable to EL Class locomotives and locomotives of similar generation or older				
2.4 Circumstances	2.4.1 See 1.7 above				
2.5 Safety issue description	2.5.1 If not properly removed and replaced the gasket material may cause harm				
2.6 Consequences	2.6.1 Asbestos related injuries				
2.7 Reasons for Alert	2.7.1 To raise awareness of potential existence of asbestos material used in locomotive main air reservoir gaskets 2.7.2 Take actions to satisfy that asbestos gaskets are duly removed and replaced				
2.8 Action request or recommend	2.8.1 CFCLA has been taking actions to address 2.7.2 above 2.8.2 As asbestos gaskets may also be located on rollingstock of other transport operators, it is advisable that operators take actions where appropriate				
2.9 Safety advice forwarded to	2.9.1 The ONRSR 2.9.2 CFCL Australia Pty Ltd 2.9.3 CFCL Australia Maintenance Pty Ltd				
2.10 Further Information	2.10.1 An Le, Executive Manager National Compliance & Rail Safety 02 8965 0000 an.le@cfasiapacific.com.au				

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CFCLAM	CFCLA Maintenance Goulburn	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Name:
CFCLA	CFCL Australia Pty Ltd	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Name:

3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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