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Consultation of non-EU OTIF Member States on the TSIs:

1. Introduction

As agreed between the EU Commission and OTIF, OTIF is consulted on the draft TSIs prepared by ERA for the attention of the non-EU OTIF Member States at the time they are submitted for consultation to the social partners and organisations representing railway customers and passengers.

2. TSIs for consultation

In the period since the 5th session of the Committee of Technical Experts (May 2012) OTIF was consulted on the following TSI:

TSI	Distributed to non-EU OTIF MSs	Deadline for comments
Locomotives and Passenger Rolling Stock (revised) – LOC&PAS TSI	A 94-00/501.2012 on 29.06.2012	01.09.2012
Safety in Railway Tunnels (revised) – SRT TSI	A 94-00/501.2012 on 29.06.2012	01.09.2012
Accessibility for persons with reduced mobility – PRM TSI	A 94-00/501.2013 on 28.02.2013	02.05.2013
relating to the subsystem ‘Energy’ – ENE TSI	A 94-00/501.2013 on 28.02.2013	02.05.2013
relating to the subsystem ‘Infrastructure’ – INF TSI	A 94-00/501.2013 on 28.02.2013	02.05.2013
Noise revised – NOI TSI	A 94-00/502.2013 on 15.03.2013	02.05.2013

3. Comments from the non-EU OTIF Member States

3.1 LOC & PAS TSI

16 comments have been received from Switzerland on this TSI and were forwarded to the Commission on 14 September 2012. One comment was editorial; two comments textual and 13 comments introduced specific cases for Switzerland.

3.2 SRT TSI

23 comments have been received from Switzerland on this TSI and were forwarded to the Commission on 14 September 2012. Two comments were general, one editorial and twenty comments concerned the text.

3.3 PRM, ENE, INF and NOI TSIs

Switzerland used ERA’s public consultation, which preceded The European Commission’s consultation of OTIF, and sent its comments directly to ERA on 30 January 2013 and in copy to OTIF.

The deadline for comments to be sent to OTIF was 2 May 2013. OTIF did not receive any comments.

4. ERA/Commission response to the consultation results

4.1 LOC & PAS TSI

On 30 October 2012 the Commission replied to the comments from Switzerland which were evaluated by ERA. This reply was also sent directly to Switzerland.

Of the 23 comments, 2 were accepted and one was not taken over. In response to the request to introduce specific cases for Switzerland, ERA explained that all the specific cases presented by EU Member States will be subject to an impact assessment. Some parts of the railway system may be excluded from the scope of the Interoperability Directive by the Member States and the TSI had been drafted with these possible exclusions in mind. The complete procedure for introducing specific cases for Switzerland will have to apply if Switzerland were to adopt TSI in the future.

4.2 SRT TSI

On 4 December 2012 the Commission replied to the comments from Switzerland which were evaluated by ERA. This reply was also sent directly to Switzerland.

Of the 23 comments, 5 were accepted and 14 were not taken over. Altogether, 6 comments will be taken into account for the application guide.

4.3 PRM, ENE, INF and NOI TSIs

As OTIF did not receive any reaction, there has been no follow-up on the consultation.