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Sent: Wednesday, 12 July 2023 2:10 PM
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Subject: RE: Draft Response - revised

One amendment to background

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Hey Lesley,

As below, if your office is comfortable. Confirming this would be a response from the Minister or from the department?

Thanks,
Court

From: Lesley Major <Lesley.Major@ministerial.qld.gov.au>
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To: Courtney Thompson <Courtney.Thompson@ministerial.qld.gov.au>
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To: Courtney Thompson; Hamish Bessant; Tim Linley
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Subject: RE: Draft Response

Heya – I liked your initial response which clearly states is not an increase to deliver the trains.

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Any feedback – my additions highlighted.

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QUEENSLAND TRAIN MANUFACTURING PROGRAM

I understand the Minister dealt with this at-length last week.

I'm advised that the figure is published on the TMR website.

It includes options for a further twenty years (to 2058) of operational and maintenance costs.

The program value over the next 35 years includes:

- A Design Build Maintain (DBM) Contract with Downer;
- Additional train stabling and a 10-kilometre test track;
- A further 20 years of operation and maintenance (beyond the 15 years included in the DBM Contract);
- State project management costs and project contingency;
- The impact of labour shortages and supply chain issues on final pricing received by the three shortlisted proponents

The correct figure has now been updated on the TMR website.

We either fund this and support hundreds of jobs in regional Queensland or do what the LNP would and cut jobs.

The only thing the LNP built was 1 William Street.

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QTMP will also significantly improve the manufacturing industry in Queensland.

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Lesley Major – Irrelevant

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From: Lane Calcutt
Sent: Wednesday, 12 July 2023 11:58 AM
To: Courtney Thompson
Cc: Lesley Major; @PremMediaOffice; Hamish Bessant; Tam van Alphen
Subject: Re: Courier-Mail: Queensland Train program

Good one

Sent from my iPhone

On 12 Jul 2023, at 11:56 am, Courtney Thompson <Courtney.Thompson@ministerial.qld.gov.au> wrote:

Hey Lesley,

Think any response needs to make the following things clear:

1. This is not an increase in the cost to deliver the 65 new Queensland made trains
2. Instead, this funding includes a projected \$XX for ongoing maintenance and operational costs over an extended contract period of 30 year period* (to be confirmed) through to 2050* (to be confirmed)
3. Majority of this funding will be supporting regional Queenslanders, and the rejuvenation of Maryborough's train building industry
4. The question for the LNP is will they cut/prune this funding? Gutting regional Queensland/Maryborough of skills, training and secure job opportunities once again
5. Under the LNP train building was sent overseas, and Queenslanders are still paying hundreds of millions to rectify the New Generation Rollingstock so they are disability compliant...

Give me a bell if you need to discuss.

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To: Courtney Thompson <Courtney.Thompson@ministerial.qld.gov.au>
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Subject: FW: Courier-Mail: Queensland Train program

FYI – see below. Discussing with advisor and dept now.

From: Irrelevant <Irrelevant@news.com.au>
Sent: Wednesday, July 12, 2023 10:45 AM
To: Lesley Major <Lesley.Major@ministerial.qld.gov.au>
Subject: Fwd: Courier-Mail: Queensland Train program

Hi Lesley hope you're well.
Have sent this to TMR just now

Would Minister please be able to comment on the \$2.4bn increase on this train program?

Many thanks Irrelevant

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From: Irrelevant [redacted]@news.com.au>
Date: Wednesday, 12 July 2023
Subject: Courier-Mail: Queensland Train program
To: Media <media@tmr.qld.gov.au>

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- *why has the cost increased?
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- *any other comment

Thanks team, deadline 4pm please

Cheers Irrelevant [redacted]

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Any update on this one please?

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Cc: Cameron Y Leslie <Cameron.Leslie@translink.com.au>; Translink Media <Translink.Media@translink.com.au>; @Minister Bailey Media <MinisterBaileyMedia@min.internal>
Subject: FW: Courier-Mail: Queensland Train program

Hi Lesley and Charlton,

I just wanted to forward you the below enquiry from the CM on the QTMP for your awareness and let you know we are pushing through a response.

Kind regards,
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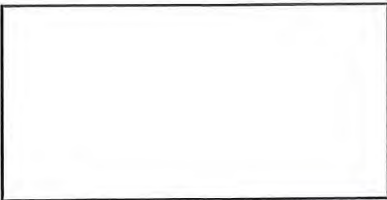
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Hi Lesley and Charlton,

I just wanted to forward you the below enquiry from the CM on the QTMP for your awareness and let you know we are pushing through a response.

Kind regards,
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Would Minister please be able to comment on the \$2.4bn increase on this train program?

Many thanks [Irrelevant]

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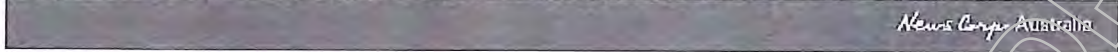
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Topics discussed:

- Transport Minister Mark Bailey’s press conference this afternoon
- State Government press release figure of Downer trains to be manufactured at Maryborough
- Estimates
- Cost of Gabba rebuild for 2032 Olympics
- Youth crime
- LNP suggestions to curb youth crime
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PETER GLEESON:

Now, just an hour ago we heard from Transport Minister Mark Bailey. Now he's defending his role in this \$2.4 billion cost blow-out for train manufacturing in Maryborough. Now, there are calls from many, including the CFMEU which is interesting for him to resign after he's admitted clearly that he's the responsible minister for this blunder and he's come up with every excuse under the sun in the last 60 minutes or so. He said he was busy that day. You know, he's a busy guy. He Tweeted plenty of times that day and he was on a couple of flights. So he certainly had the opportunity to look at stuff. Now, the bottom line here is that he's knowingly misled the public. And I'll be having a say about this just after four o'clock about why he needs to go. Under the Westminster system, surely, he must go. Accountability. That was one of the pillars of Anastacia Palaszczuk's pledge in 2015 when she came to power.

I've got the Deputy Leader of the State Opposition, Jarrod Bleijie on the line now to chat more about it. Thanks for coming on to 4BC Drive, Jarrod. Should Minister Mark Bailey resign?

JARROD BLEIJIE:

Well, absolutely, Peter, and thanks for having me on because this is such an important matter for Queenslanders at the moment. And I've just got to say that Labor's train shame scandal is the end of the line for Mark Bailey as a minister in Queensland. It's extreme dishonesty. It's a cover up and it runs right through the Queensland cabinet and to the Premier's office herself.

PETER GLEESON:

Now the Opposition today targeted Deputy Premier Steven Miles in estimates, he came out and defended Mark Bailey as you would expect from a left faction colleague. Why is there this protection racket that goes on with these left faction ministers?

JARROD BLEIJIE:

Well, it's important, Peter, to understand exactly what's gone on here. And I've just watched the bizarre press conference Mark Bailey gave, trying to defend his cover up. And he admitted that he took deliberately took the figure out of his press release. So essentially what's happened is his department, the Department of Transport and Main Roads, have prepared a press release for his office with a correct figure in it, \$9.5 billion. Now he knows

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that's a blow-out because when it was originally announced, it was \$7.1. So, he knows there's a \$2.4 billion blow-out.

His department have sent the press release up to his office. He has admitted to deleting the figure from the press release. It's then been sent to the Premier's office and somehow the incorrect figure was put in the press release and then it was issued by the Premier and Mark Bailey. So, they have already admitted they knew about the blow-out before the press release was issued. And then they both, the Premier and Mark Bailey still chose to put out a press release with deliberately deceptive and misinformation in it. And the fact that Mark Bailey deliberately changed the press release to cover up the blow-out.

PETER GLEESON:

So is the Premier's office also culpable here as well?

JARROD BLEIJIE:

Well the Premier and no one can believe for a minute that both the minister and the Premier did not see this press release. That opens a whole new level of issues if they if they're having infrastructure projects worth the billions of dollars and they're not viewing them. So, there is no way that the Premier and the minister didn't know, did not know about it.

And the reason I know that is two things. One, they've both admitted they knew about the blow-out, the train manufacturing blow-out and secondly, the Deputy Premier and the Premier and Minister Mark Bailey went to a cabinet budget review committee where this would have been discussed. This is nothing more than calculated deception and Mark Bailey has lied about the figure. But then he has gone above and beyond a lie. He's covered it up. He tried to cover it up until we exposed it because a press, a website was updated with the correct figure quietly in the night. And he did that thinking no one would catch on to the fact that there's been a \$2.4 billion blow out.

PETER GLEESON:

The cover up is always worse than the crime, isn't it? Now I want to take you back to March 2015, when Premier Anastacia Palaszczuk was elected as Premier of this wonderful state, and she made a commitment as she was announcing that they would be advertising for a new Crime and Corruption Commission chair. She said that nobody in Queensland is more committed to good, honest government than her government. Do you think she's failed that pledge?

JARROD BLEIJIE:

Absolutely. And Peter, she's absolutely checked out of the job. She doesn't want to be here anymore. She's lost interest in the issues that matter to Queenslanders, like housing, law and order, all the health crisis we've got. Completely checked out. The culture of her cabinet now still rests with the Premier because the fish rots from the head and the Premier is still in charge. But the reality is now they're all ducking and weaving for cover about this major cover up. No one's taking responsibility other than Mark Bailey saying he's the minister and I'm held responsible. Well, the questions for the Premier and she's got serious questions to answer what are the consequences? What are the consequences in her government for

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covering up? Because your listeners know, Mark Bailey has had a pretty chequered history in this government. He has had scandal after scandal and now with this absolute cover up and the bizarre press conference he did today by saying, I just didn't have time, he said I was on a plane. I didn't have time. The train manufacturing wasn't the theme of the day. And yet we've done a quick search of his Twitter account. He Tweeted and retweeted seven times, six and then a retweet. So if the minister is finding time to get on Twitter and social media and Tweet about all other matters, then I'm pretty sure he read his press release. I'm pretty sure that he knew exactly what was going on when he told his office to take out the real figure to deceive the people of Queensland.

PETER GLEESON:

He's addicted to the likes on Twitter, but Twitter is not the real world as we know. All right let's quickly move on Jarrod Bleijie. Steven Miles insists the Gabba revamp is the best option for the Olympics, even though Carrara Stadium on the Gold Coast would be a much less costly venue. We were promised a cost neutral Olympics. The Gabba revamp is already touted to be about two point...there's another cost blow-out, was supposed to be one billion. \$2.7 billion, wouldn't be surprised if it got up to about four or five. Do you believe that the Gabba is the best option for the Olympics as the host of the athletics and of course, the opening and closing ceremonies?

JARROD BLEIJIE:

Well, this is the issue, Peter, and this is why we've been raising this issue time and time again and why I did it in budget estimates today. Because for Queenslanders to be properly briefed on the matter, we needed all the what the government was considering, we needed the business cases and what we exposed today through the Deputy Premier is one, you remember when the first Gabba redevelopment was announced for the Olympics? It was \$1 billion.

PETER GLEESON:

I remember it.

JARROD BLEIJIE:

What the Deputy Premier and they admitted to today was that figure was essentially just to do a media conference, just to get them the publicity to the International Olympic Committee that they're going to upgrade the Gabba. There was no business case. The Auditor-General confirmed there was no business case. And then I said, okay, well you've had the billion dollars, now it's blown out to \$2.7 billion and no explanation. Surely now you can release the business case which has now come up with the figure of \$2.7 billion. Guess what, Peter? There is no business case for the Gabba. It is in train at the moment. They are doing the business case at the moment. So they have literally then plucked the figure of \$2.7 billion out of the thin air. And now they're doing the business case. And you asked me if I trust the government to be able to deliver the \$2.7 billion Gabba redevelopment, a knock down and a new stadium. Absolutely not. This government is addicted to blow-outs. They have a blow-out problem. Now, I challenge the Deputy Premier today because all we've been asking for is transparency. We support, we absolutely support the 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games. We support a Gabba upgrade. What we are not seeing from the Government is transparency

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and openness around the decisions they're making. We tried to set up an independent infrastructure delivery authority. The Government has rejected it. We tried to get a parliamentary inquiry to oversee the infrastructure and the spend on the Olympics. The Government have rejected it. So all we've been trying to do is get transparency around the decisions they're making. Even the International Olympic Committee suggested alternatives for the government. Now they didn't tell us whether they've considered it, but under the new norm they were meant to. And I don't think the Premier or the Government have because it seems all they've been doing is announcements, it's glossy brochures, we're over two years into since we've received the Olympics or it's been announced that Queensland's got it and we haven't really seen much other than press statements, glossy brochures and photo opportunities for the Premier.

PETER GLEESON:

Final question, youth crime, such a big issue in Queensland and certainly our listeners aggrieved at what's going on in that particular area. Do you support, does the Opposition support mandatory minimum sentencing?

JARROD BLEIJIE:

Well, it's bigger than just one element, Peter. It's one acknowledging the fact that the government weakened the youth justice laws in 2015. And God help us because of Attorney-General is now the Attorney... Yvette D'Ath is now the Attorney General who was the Attorney General who weakened the youth justice laws in 2015 when the Palaszczuk Government was first elected. What we've been calling for is three things. One: consequences for actions. Get rid of detention as a last resort and shackle the judiciary. We've been asking for gold standard early intervention programs which I wrote to the Auditor General about. So it's not just, I don't think we can now look at these things in isolation, we have to look at consequences for actions, unshackling the judiciary, getting rid of detention as a last resort, and then gold standard early intervention programs. And we have committed to looking at the *Youth Justice Act* and looking at all these issues, talking to the experts, and not just doing what the government have done at the moment, announce things on a fly. And you recall the last time the Premier came up with a big plan to tackle youth justice, she announced it on one day, she flew to Paris that next day and left the state in an almighty mess and all across Queensland, your listeners suffering at the hands of a youth crime crisis, whether at their homes in broken into assaults on the street, it's got to change but it's not going to change under the Palaszczuk Government.

PETER GLEESON:

Jarrold Bleijie, appreciate you joining me on 4BC Drive.

JARROD BLEIJIE:

Thanks Peter, cheers.

PETER GLEESON:

Cheers. It's 14 minutes to four.

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MINISTER BAILEY:

So, here to talk about the Queensland train manufacturing program. I think it's important to cover a few things here. Firstly, this is an election commitment from the government, I think people understand the reason why the previous 75 trains from the previous government were ordered, made overseas, were not disability compliant. As a government, we committed to build trains in Queensland. And we're committed to make them disability compliant. So we've had a whole process before this procurement process to make sure that all the accessibility reference groups had input into the design, and the design of these new trains. And so the process has been in terms of procurement, it has been a two and a half year independent of government procurement process. And what we've seen in the last four months has been the final stage of that procurement process. So, on February 6, we saw the preferred supplier be announced, and that is the Downer group. And from that point on, the negotiations then happened between Downer and the government in terms of getting to a final signatory on this contract.

The nature of this contract is it's a very complex contract. So there are a whole range of negotiations from the point of them being signed up as a preferred supplier against three other bids. And then actually signing the contract, which the signing of the contract happened on the 29th of June. Now, on the 19th of June, a early draft media release came up from the department, which had a figure in there. But at this point, there was no figure confirmed by a signed contract. So, my staff removed that figure, because we needed to find out what the final figure would be. And so, I did not delete or remove any figure from any media release. And I didn't... I certainly did not instruct my staff to do that. They were preparing for a signed contract. And we didn't know what the figure was. So that process continued. We thought we'd be signing off on the 28th of June. After matters were settled. There was a final 24-hour delay, which put it back to Thursday, the 29th of June, and it would be signed after the close of business because there's a whole process around notifying the stock exchange the first thing the next morning. What this did to what was a very busy week was put the announcement of this very important thing for Queensland, for more Queensland made trains onto the same morning as a as another major announcement I had in Rockhampton, so we needed to then organise me to be for a major announcement in terms of the Rocky ring road, and then go and do the Maryborough announcement in two parts of regional Queensland. So my movements on that day were to be flying from Brisbane to Rocky on a propeller plane, do the press conference straight back in the plane down to Maryborough into the PPE, do the next press conference there.

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So I was in the air most of the time that Friday morning. And so it was not the usual contract. It was not the usual morning, I have to say. And so, what occurred there was that I didn't see the final media release by the time I stood up because of the nature of the day. Now I regret that. That's my responsibility, I'm the line minister, I've apologised for this a week and a half ago, because an error was made in terms of the final figure that went into that media release.

On that same day of the media conference, the correct figure was uploaded on the website. That correct figure should have been in the media release. And I was not aware of that. So I've apologised for that. It was an error. It was a stuff up. But that's all it was. So, I just want to have this press conference today to correct a range of assertions and insinuations that have been reported in the last 24 hours that are not reflective of the situation in terms of what occurred here.

Let me just say this final thing. It's been widely reported that there's been a blowout. This is simply not factual. What we've got here is one contract at the end have an independent procurement process in the current market conditions. And we've got a final figure that is the most competitive best value outcome for the state. What we did have was an early estimate based on the early bids, so an old number. But the final number of 9.5 is, in fact, the most competitive outcome for Queensland. So, you know, there was only one contract, there's not a second contract to add money to a contract, there is only one contract, because of one process independent from government. And I think it's important that that be corrected, because the fact of the matter is, that's the final figure for making Queensland made trains. And that's something that Queenslanders want to see, especially after COVID, they want to see us make things here in our state and our country, this government is making sure that we do do that. And this, this contract is a really important one, to build that capability to bring back rail manufacturing skills and base. And we're going to need this not just for the next 10 years, for the next 30,40, 50 years, with the population growth that we have.

So look, I think the... I think the gallery knows I don't hide when things get tough. I'm here to answer your questions. And I'm happy to take them right now.

REPORTER:

[inaudible] signed off on that press release [inaudible] figures in it [inaudible] were expectation that figures would be put back in it?

MINISTER BAILEY:

I didn't... firstly, I didn't sign off on it. I approved it to go on to another office to be worked on as any early releases do. And yes, it was my expectation that figures would be put back in there. Absolutely. That were reflective of the outcome.

REPORTER:

When were you first aware that that press release had contained the [inaudible]?

MINISTER BAILEY:

Look, I would have to check on that. But it was certainly sometime after the media conference. In hindsight, I should have mopped it up at the time. The correct figure was out on the website. In hindsight, I probably should have mopped it up better than I did. But I can't

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remember the specific time, it was a really big week. And I don't have a clear recollection of that.

REPORTER:

Were you worried when you realised the press release had gone out announcing this contract with the wrong figure?

MINISTER BAILEY:

Well, it wasn't good. Put it that way. Look, TMR, Transport and Main Roads, is a high-volume portfolio. We don't get too many things wrong. We got...there was an error made here and which I'm apologetic for. We don't make too many of them. We're pretty good at dealing with a lot of issues all the time. This is one that was there was an error. And I'm sincerely apologetic for that. But it was a stuff up, and it was only a stuff up.

REPORTER:

When you were in Maryborough, why did [inaudible]?

MINISTER BAILEY:

Well, let's be clear. It's the actual number that Downer had to notify to the Stock Exchange was actually 4.6, which is the figure for the 15-year contract, which involves the capital for building the trains, building the facility and the operational, you know, in that first 15-year period. And then there's options after that of five-year options, taking you out to 35 years on the contract. So, I don't recall using a figure in the press conference because what it was it was an historic day for Maryborough. That was the main issue here. This is a town that was on the rack with all the jobs being sent overseas by the Newman Government. And we've basically myself, the government and Bruce Saunders has saved that town. They've saved that town, if you'll let me finish the answer, we've saved that town from being derelict because we brought the jobs back there. And that was the theme of the day. It was an historic day for not just Maryborough, but for the state that manufacturing was confirmed, we'd had a signature after close of business just the night before confirmed, and everybody was pretty happy about that. That was the main theme of the day.

REPORTER:

Is it [inaudible] minister [inaudible] updating [inaudible]?

MINISTER BAILEY:

Well, the number was absolutely coughed up on the website. And should I, should I, should I, should I've mopped it up a bit better? Sure. And I take responsibility for that. I've apologised for that a week and a half ago. You know, we get criticism at times in politics, but taking responsibility. Well, here I am, not just today, but a week and a half ago taking responsibility for one that we didn't get totally right. We got the fundamentals right. But there was, there was crossed wires, and that happens in life and I'm very apologetic for that error.

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REPORTER:

Your office took the figures out of the press release, [inaudible] incorrect fires [inaudible]?

MINISTER BAILEY:

Looked that was a result of you know, the work of staff and I think the Premier has made it really clear that staff from both her office and my office have been counselled about this. She has higher standards than that as do I, and I support her and doing that. I think that it's appropriate. Look, people are human. Sometimes they, when you've got a lot of people working on something, you got certain circumstances, you know, sometimes an error is made. I'm sure everybody in this media conference has made an error they regret at some point in their life. It's just that when we make the errors, it's pretty public.

REPORTER:

So it was someone in the Premier's office?

MINISTER BAILEY:

Sorry Lydia?

REPORTER:

It was someone in the Premier's office that put the incorrect figure in the release [inaudible]?

MINISTER BAILEY:

I think it was an outcome of a number of different people working together, but obviously not identifying the up to date figure that had been decided, you know, about 12 hours ago, rather than the old figure, which was based on, you know, the early three bids from the from the three different shortlist listed bidders.

REPORTER:

But it wasn't 12 hours ago because TMR put the correct figure in on June 19. So how can you say it was only updated 12 hours earlier? They had the...

MINISTER BAILEY:

No TMR put it on their website on the 30th of June.

REPORTER:

But they put it in the draft press release on June 19, did they?

MINISTER BAILEY:

Yeah, but we didn't have, we didn't have a contract. We didn't we didn't have a contract. So you know, you can?

REPORTER:

Well how did they come up with [inaudible]?

MINISTER BAILEY:

Well, it's an estimate, it's an estimate. But you know, between June 19, and the signing of the contract is 10 more days of negotiations. And it's impossible to predict where that would have gone, whether there was increased cost, decreased costs... I'm not part of that process that's entirely independent from me as it should be. Right? This is an independent procurement process. It's a big contract with a lot of value. Government ministers should be nowhere near it which I was not. And on the 19th of June, we did not have a signed contract, we did not have a signed figure. And it was on that basis that my staff left it blank so that it could be filled in later. There's actually quite a lot of logic, when you look at it fairly and objectively, that that's a logical thing to do, and to be fixed up later. And it was fixed...it fixed up incorrectly and an error was made, which I'm apologetic about.

REPORTER:

Who approved that press release with no figures in it? Did you instruct staff [inaudible] conversations [inaudible] about the [inaudible] figure?

MINISTER BAILEY:

The press release was given to me with the blank there, on the basis that it would go on to other offices, the Premier's office for to be worked, worked on, and there was an expectation the final figure would go in there and be correct, absolutely. But that didn't eventuate unfortunately.

REPORTER:

[inaudible] the final sign off on that media release? Was it the Premier or you?

MINISTER BAILEY:

I didn't see the final print media release. You know, sometimes you just got to trust staff. So, I don't know what happened, I can't speak for anyone other than my office.

REPORTER:

Minister you talk about logic, so assuming by at least June 19 you know there's potentially \$2.4 billion extra [inaudible] give or take the contract's not signed. Surely you and your office are having discussion about how you're going to sell to Queensland [inaudible] extra money, were you not surprised [inaudible] press conference where two and a half billion extras was not brought up, or you hadn't prepared to answer questions about that?

MINISTER BAILEY:

Well, I wasn't prepared to have a discussion about a figure that wasn't signed up, wasn't signed off.

REPORTER:

But you knew it was going to be at least a couple of billion dollars more?

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MINISTER BAILEY:

Well, you look back at it now and think that's incredibly logical. I didn't know where it would end up. I didn't know how good the negotiations would be that that fear could have changed substantially. And so, you know, until we got a sense of what that figure, you know, I knew what that figure actually was. Governments a really busy, busy place. You know, I have ports, I have roads, I have, you know, light rail. I've got a lot of things going on all the time. And, you know, there's a process here around signing the contract, which happened, you know, 29th of June. This was, you know, a week and a half before that. An eon when it comes to, you know, dealing with the things immediately before you in the minister's office

REPORTER:

But on June 30 you knew at least that this \$2.4 billion [inaudible] and you didn't come clean with the Queensland public on the day of the press conference.

MINISTER BAILEY:

Because it was a day, it was historic day, where Queensland meant train manufacturing came back to our state. I presumed I presumed it was in the release and it wasn't and that's the error. Right? So you know, if it's, I presumed it was in the release. It was only much later that I realised that it wasn't. You know, that's the error that I apologise for a week and a half ago.

REPORTER:

Queenslanders would argue both [inaudible], this \$2.4 billion is also [inaudible].

MINISTER BAILEY:

Yeah, well I think this... you got to remember this is a 35 year contract that involves a lot of capital upfront in terms of building the trains. And let's be really clear; you know, the attempt by the LNP to portray this contract is building them overseas is was pathetic this morning. We are not flat packing or doing anything of the like. These trains will be built here by Queensland workers. There will be a few components here and there but a lot of the... a lot the substantial things, the carriages, the bogies, all that sort of stuff will be all be built and manufactured with a strong manufacturing capability at the plant at Torbanlea right next to Maryborough. We're very proud of that. It was a day of celebration for the state and a day of celebration for the town of Maryborough, which has 150 years of rail history. And that was very much the focus of the day. So, and the figure that was actually notified, you know, required to be notified to the Stock Exchange was actually \$4.6. Now, you know, I could've legitimately use that figure, and I didn't. You know, because, because the Stock Exchange needed that, that figure, but I didn't I don't recall using any figures, because the day, the theme of the day was trains are coming back to be manufactured in this state. And that was a really good thing. And I think the public support us on that.

REPORTER:

I guess the other question [inaudible] the contract, there's still tens of millions of dollars [inaudible]. Given the significance of it, when did you actually tell the Premier and Cabinet about the possibility of [inaudible]?

MINISTER BAILEY:

Well, I think, Tim, you won't be surprised to hear that I'm not at liberty to discuss Cabinet matters, that, that's absolutely, I'm forbidden for doing that under law.

REPORTER:

When did the Premier know?

MINISTER BAILEY:

The Premier's Office would have been informed, you know, around that, at least on that day. I, in terms of actual who told, who's, who told who what to where, the signing of the contract was after close of business on Thursday, the 29th of June. There would have been discussions that night going into the next day. Not the right people got the right information, which is why it didn't get into the media release. And that's unfortunate. And I apologise, you know, that that occurred. But unfortunately, an error was made.

REPORTER:

[inaudible] Premier knowing [inaudible], because she's quoted in the press release, a direct quote [inaudible]. So when did she actually know?

MINISTER BAILEY:

Well, I think the Premier has made it very clear that she was aware on the 30th. And that would be consistent with my understanding. Absolutely.

REPORTER:

[inaudible] who say it's dishonest and you're trying to cover up [inaudible].

MINISTER BAILEY:

Sorry, who's saying that?

REPORTER:

The Opposition.

MINISTER BAILEY:

Okay.

REPORTER:

Is calling for your resignation. They say [inaudible]...

MINISTER BAILEY:

Look, the Opposition of course they would say that. But they're the ones who sent trying to be manufactured overseas that weren't disability compliant, when it comes to errors, compare, you know, a mistake in a media release, compared to shipping a thousand jobs overseas from Maryborough and the region, and gutting Maryborough. And then we get at the end of the cheap trains that people with disabilities are not catered for. You know, when it comes to

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errors, check out the LNPs record on public transport. They cut Cross River Rail, they did all that with the manufacturing, they were absolutely incompetent. So I don't put it any store in any call from them on pretty much anything to be quite frank.

REPORTER:

[inaudible] CFMEU. They've made the same call.

MINISTER BAILEY:

Yeah, well, I guess LNP find that a bit confusing, because, you know, they've been saying that somehow that I'm their best mate. And then suddenly, there's evidence that that's not the not the case. Look, the CFMEU had been working well with other unions, the contractors, the DA, and the Government over the last week around safety on Cross River Rail, and I thank all of the parties for working together. What happened last Tuesday was a terrible, terrible thing. And we're all still willing the worker Nash to come through, and our thoughts are with his family. And it just, it's a, we've never forgotten. Safety has been a big priority for us right throughout this project. But construction is dangerous. And you know, having a safety reset when we're more than well over halfway through constructing Cross River Rail, when we've still got a fair bit of work to go and there's still risk involved, a safety reset across all of our sites has been happening. We're back to work on some of the smaller sites. Some of the bigger sites might be another day or two. But there's been a high level of cooperation on site between different parties who haven't always got on that well, but they've all committed to it. They all want a safe worksite and I thank them all for working together

REPORTER:

And just on that Hyundai Rotem contract, what is the value of that contract and what will they actually be doing?

MINISTER BAILEY:

Well, the value of their contract doesn't matter for Downer who they sub... they sub...

REPORTER:

[inaudible]

MINISTER BAILEY:

Well, it is a matter for Downer. They're the contractor, right? But the figure that was... I can't work out where other than out of his hat Jarrod Bleijie pulled his \$5.1 billion figure this morning. It does, not based on anything that I'm aware of. The initial contract was \$4.6 billion for the first 15 years, which is not just operation but the building of the trains, building of the train manufacturing facility, which will be world class. That was \$4.6 so how you get \$5.1 when you first 15 years \$4.6, you'll have to ask him. But I'll bet you, he can't back up his claim.

REPORTER:

So what will, what will they actually be doing in terms of the...

MINISTER BAILEY:

Oh, look, it's normal when you've got a train manufacturer, they'll have a tech supplier in terms of, you know, all the stuff that goes into the train. The geometry, you know, it's a very complex thing, the physics of trains and technology keeps moving. So they will, they will be contracted by Downer to be an essential part of these trains. And, you know, that that's a matter for them to discuss.

REPORTER:

Will any trains be built in Korea?

MINISTER BAILEY:

We'll have two prototypes being constructed in Korea, but all 65 new trains will be built by Queensland workers in Maryborough, in our state because of this Palaszczuk Government. So, you know, the prototypes are a necessary part of setting up the production line. That's a normal thing. But to portray that this morning as meaning we're actually, you know, building them overseas is so dishonest from Jarrod Bleijie. I mean, he's an embarrassment to the LNP. If he's their second best as Deputy Leader, then, then God to help us all.

REPORTER:

Just to clarify, [inaudible]?

MINISTER BAILEY:

That's correct. That's correct, Tim. I did not.

REPORTER:

So then, to your knowledge, has any other figures ever been taken out of a press release?

MINISTER BAILEY:

In terms of this issue, or more broadly?

REPORTER:

In terms of... have figures ever been deleted from a press release intentionally by your office?

MINISTER BAILEY:

I would... look, I would, I'd have to judge things on a case-by-case basis, but all kinds of factors come into play. Sometimes on any particular announcement, you'll have all kinds of figures and all kinds of issues. Some of them which are really difficult to understand. You've got to make choices about being able to understand an issue when you've got a mountain of data. So I think I know where you're going there. But I don't see anything sinister in, you know, staff working through issues, and making them understandable, because sometimes they can be very complex. And when it comes to a 35-year contract constructing, you know, high tech trains here in Queensland, that is a very complex thing. And, you know, there's been an error here. So, Marlina?

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REPORTER:

Who made the decision to delete that figure [inaudible]?

MINISTER BAILEY:

Look, it was, it was an adjustment made by a staff member because we didn't have a final figure. We didn't have a contract signed. And the intention would be to have that figure inserted later on when we did know that. And, you know, it was put to me, 'look, we've got to work this up, is it okay to send it on.' And, of course, you get, you try and get the preparation done early. And sometimes there's some factors to an announcement down the track that you just don't know at this point, but you'll put them in later. I think that's pretty normal. And in this case, there was a 10 day lapse between, you know, the early draft media release coming up, and the contract actually being signed.

REPORTER:

But by the time you front [inaudible], you knew a media release was [inaudible]. Stock Exchange aside, you know it's going out to Queenslanders. You know that's being drawn up. You're about to front the cameras and you made a deliberate decision not to [inaudible]. Why?

MINISTER BAILEY:

Ordinarily, I would have seen a media release, but it was a frantic morning when I was on, you know, two different flights to get to, you know, cover about a thousand kilometres of territory where I was not in contact with by the usual means. So, it was, it was simply a very unusually busy morning on a very, very unusual announcement. And the usual processes, you know, weren't, weren't fully adhered to. And look, that's, that's an error and a stuff up and I'm apologetic for that. But that's all it is. And, you know, the reality is, Queensland's going to have the next 65 trains made here, and the most competitive possible price through an independent procurement process, and that is appropriate. And that is what we said to the people we would do. That's what we are going to do. We're not going to get cheap trains with that aren't disability compliant, we're not going to cancel Cross River Rail projects like the LNP did and will do again. Now the last election, the LNP still didn't have any costings to build trains in Queensland. You know, this was only two and a half years ago. So their record on this hasn't changed. And their continual sniping and criticism of this is all about undermining manufacturing in Queensland, you know, of trains. And reality is we should be building trains for the next 50 years at least in Queensland. We've got huge population growth, we've got to expand our rail network, and we need the trains to run on it. And we need that capability here. You know, when you go, you look at the, the interruption of the supply chains from the pandemic, you just don't know what the future will hold. And we've got to make things here in this country, have that capability here for a lot of different reasons. And we're proud to do that.

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From: Courtney Thompson
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Hey Lesley,

Think any response needs to make the following things clear:

- This is not an increase in the cost to deliver the 65 new Queensland made trains
- Instead, this funding includes a projected \$XX for ongoing maintenance and operational costs over an extended contract period of 30 year period* (to be confirmed) through to 2050* (to be confirmed)
- Majority of this funding will be supporting regional Queenslanders, and the rejuvenation of Maryborough's train building industry
- The question for the LNP is will they cut/prune this funding? Gutting regional Queensland/Maryborough of skills, training and secure job opportunities once again
- Under the LNP train building was sent overseas, and Queenslanders are still paying hundreds of millions to rectify the New Generation Rollingstock so they are disability compliant...

Give me a bell if you need to discuss.

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FYI – see below. Discussing with advisor and dept now.

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Hi Lesley hope you're well.
Have sent this to TMR just now

Would Minister please be able to comment on the \$2.4bn increase on this train program?

Many thanks, Irrelevant

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Hi team,

Can I please ask a few questions about the Queensland Train Manufacturing program.

The cost appears to have risen from \$7.1bn to \$9.5bn though the scope is the same. Screenshots from website attached.

- *why has the cost increased?
- *when was the cost increase identified?
- *was it expected there would be further increases?
- *has there been any change to the expected completion date?
- *any other comment

Thanks team, deadline 4pm please

Cheers Irrelevant

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In case the Premier would like to be included.



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Queensland Built Trains a Done Deal with Downer Group

- Contract signed for Queensland Train Manufacturing Program.
- Downer Group to build and maintain the new fleet.
- Investment will bring train manufacturing back to Queensland.

Billions of dollars in investment supporting up to 800 jobs in Maryborough are locked in thanks to a landmark deal by the Palaszczuk Government.

The Queensland Train Manufacturing Program is a done deal with contracts signed for Downer Group to design and deliver this history making investment by the Palaszczuk Government.

Downer will manufacture 65 passenger trains at a new purpose-built facility at Torbanlea and establish a rail facility at Ormeau as part of the contract.

Negotiations have been underway since Downer was announced as the preferred supplier for the program earlier in the year.

The new trains will be more accessible for people with a disability, with the addition of Train Boarding Bridges and Electronic Levelling Controls to address the gaps between platforms and trains.

Construction is expected to start by the end of the year on both the manufacturing facility in Torbanlea and on a rail facility at Ormeau on the Gold Coast.

Train Manufacturing is key to Queensland's Big Build, a record \$89 billion dollar investment into infrastructure by the Palaszczuk Government over the next 4 years.

Queensland Big Build will support 58,000 jobs over the next 24 months as part of the state's biggest infrastructure spend on record.

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Quotes attributable to (Downer Group spokesperson):

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From: Courtney Thompson
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Attachments: MR - QTMP Contract Signed - CT.docx

Hi all,

Can you please have a squiz at the attached?

Have made some amendments to the top half of the release, added Prem quotes and put some local lines into Bruce's quotes.

Let me know if there are any issues,

Thanks,
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Maryborough's Downer locked in as Queensland's rail manufacturing powerhouse

- Downer signs contract for Palaszczuk Government's landmark Queensland Train Manufacturing Program.
- \$7 billion program set to deliver 65 passenger trains, for use on the South East Queensland rail network, and support 800 jobs in construction and manufacturing.
- The first train is set to be delivered in 2026, with all 65 on track for 2032.
- Early works are underway on the state-owned facility where trains will be manufactured.

The Queensland Train Manufacturing Program is a done deal with contracts now officially signed for Downer Group to design and deliver this history making \$7.1 billion program.

Premier Anastacia Palaszczuk made a commitment to Queenslanders that rail manufacturing jobs would be returned to Maryborough, with this investment set to support 800 construction and manufacturing jobs.

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Quotes attributable to Queensland Premier Anastacia Palaszczuk:

"Our government made a promise to bring train building back to Maryborough, and we have delivered.

"I saw how much this contract means to the men and women of Maryborough when I visited Downer earlier this year - now we can get on with the job of building.

"Not only does this \$7.1 billion program secure generations of job security, skills and training in Maryborough, but it sets our state up for a strong transport future.

"Because Queensland trains should be made in Queensland."

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Quotes attributable to the Assistant Minister for Regional Roads and Train Manufacturing Bruce Saunders:

"I fought hard for the people of Maryborough to see this commitment delivered on.

"This isn't just about building trains – it's an investment in the decades of skill we have here in Maryborough and in the generations of train builders to come.

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Quotes attributable to (Australian Manufacturing Workers' Union Spokesperson):

Fast Facts:

- Downer will build 65 new six-car trains and associated infrastructure, in Queensland, by Queenslanders, for Queenslanders.
- 800 jobs supported in the region
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Fast Facts: Queensland Train Manufacturing Program

- The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) has signed the Design Build and Maintain Contract with Downer for the Queensland Train Manufacturing Program (QTMP).
- The \$9.5 billion program will bring train manufacturing back to Queensland Maryborough, continuing a 150 year tradition of building trains in this community.
 - ~~\$4.869 billion CAPEX~~
 - ~~\$4.597 billion maintenance over 35 years~~
- The total value of the Design Build and Maintain Contract awarded to Downer is \$4.6 billion.
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- These are 65 new six-car passenger trains built right in here in Queensland, for Queenslanders.
- The program includes:
 - ~~Building 65 six-car passenger trains;~~
 - Construction of a purpose-built manufacturing facility at Torbanlea, 25km north of Maryborough, to build the new trains;
 - Building Manufacturing 65 six-car passenger trains for the SEQ network;
 - Construction of a new rail facility for train maintenance and stabling in Ormeau (on the Gold Coast); and
 - ~~The ongoing operation and maintenance of the fleet and rail facility over fifteen years.~~
- Additional scope Features that will be new to these trains has also been added to the QTMP, including:
 - Train Boarding Bridges to make travel more accessible;
 - Electronic Leveling Control to bring train ;
 - Bike Racks on each train;

- Charging points so that passengers can charge their devices on board.
- ~~Mainline connection works Torbanlea;~~
- ~~The total value of the QTMP has increased from \$7.1 billion since late 2021.~~
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TALKING POINTS

Grabs

- I'm pleased to announce we've finalised the procurement process and selected Downer has been awarded the Design Build and Maintain Contract to deliver the Queensland Train Manufacturing Program.
- Downer's proposal presented strong value for money for taxpayers: a leading-edge, accessible and modern train design, as well as a commitment to reinvest back into the community with jobs and training programs.
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- **Fully accessible trains:** We've been working closely with the disability sector since 2021 to co-design these trains and ensure they are functional and accessible for all passengers. This co-design process will continue into detailed design and delivery.
- **Jobs for Queenslanders:** The QTMP will bring train manufacturing back to Queensland, supporting more than construction and manufacturing 800-1300 jobs in Maryborough over the term of the contract.
- **Training for youth young people on the Fraser Coast:** I'm pleased to say Downer delivered a very strong proposal that will prove a game changer for the people of Maryborough. Their proposal will deliver jobs and training for

Queenslanders – particularly the Maryborough region, including a strong focus on the younger workforce.

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- **New rail facility at Ormeau:** The contract also provides for the construction of a new, modern rail facility at Ormeau on the Gold Coast to maintain and stable the QTMP fleet over their operational life. –

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QTMP - FAQs

Will the trains be built here, or built overseas and assembled here?

The QTMP trains will be built at the Torbanlea Manufacturing Facility. The facility's capabilities will include steel fabrication, robotic-assisted welding, bogie construction, car body building, electrical manufacturing, equipment fit-out and testing of the completed rollingstock.

While some materials, components and systems will likely need to be obtained from international suppliers, we will be ensuring that as many materials as possible are sourced from Queensland and Australia.

~~How much will the project cost~~ **Why have you previously state \$7.1 billion but the contract value is \$4.6 billion?**

~~The \$7.1 billion that we've stated is an estimate of cost of building and operating the trains. These trains will have an operational life of around 35 years. This contract with Downer covers capital and operational costs over fifteen years only. The government has committed more than \$9.5 billion to building and maintaining the new fleet and associated infrastructure, including the manufacturing, maintenance and stabling facilities.~~

How many jobs will be created by the project?

QTMP will create hundreds of jobs and build a long-term sustainable rail supply chain for Queensland.

- ~~Overall: Economic modelling reflects that The QTMP will support more than 1300-800 jobs here in Maryborough as part of the DBM contract, with more jobs in the construction of a stabling and maintenance facility at Ormeau.~~
- ~~Once operational the maintenance facility will support around 100 ongoing jobs.~~

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When will the first train start services, and when will the entire fleet be in service?

QTMP will help support the service uplift required for Cross River Rail and the 2032 Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games.

The first train is anticipated to be manufactured in 2026, with all trains expected to be in service by 2032.

Will the government keep making trains in Maryborough after the 65 trains are built?

Built into the contract are options for further trains (a further 15). So this contract provides certainty to young people in Maryborough and the Hervey Bay region that there will be ongoing manufacturing jobs in this region.

The Palaszczuk Government is committed to manufacturing trains in Queensland. That's why the Torbanlea facility, while it will be built by Downer, will remain the property of the State. We've designed this program so that when we order our next set of trains the supplier at that time, if it isn't Downer, will be able to fit right in.

Will the trains be ready in time for Cross River Rail and the Olympics?

QTMP will help support the service uplift required after the opening of Cross River Rail and for the 2032 Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games.

The entire QTMP fleet will be in service in time for the 2032 Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Will the trains be fully accessible?

The QTMP trains will be the most accessible trains in Queensland's history. They will feature two accessible toilets, wheelchair allocated spaces, priority seats, braille on signage and hearing loops in all cars.

The QTMP project team is undertaking genuine, early, and comprehensive engagement with the disability sector to ensure a fully compliant fleet of trains that is accessible and functional for all passengers.

Can bikes be taken on the train?

The QTMP trains will include a total of four (4) dedicated bike racks, with two (2) bike racks in the first and last carriages. One (1) bike will be able to be parked in each bike rack.

Does that mean a limit of four bikes per train?

The current policy provides a limit of four or e-scooters per train, two in the front and two in the rear carriage.

There is no limit on the number of bicycles on trains in off peak periods, pending space requirements.

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Will QR staff operate the trains?

Absolutely. Similar to the existing New Generation Rollingstock trains, QR staff will operate the trains as guards and drivers.

Will QR maintain the trains?

The successful bidder The contract provides for Down to will maintain the fleet at a new, dedicated maintenance facility in Ormeau for 15 years with four, five-year options to extend (up to 35 years in total).

How long will the proposed applicant maintain the fleet?

The proposed applicant will maintain the fleet for an initial term of 15 years, with an option to extend by an additional 20 years based on performance to a possible 35 years total.

How can local businesses supply goods or services to QTMP?

Businesses interested in supplying goods and services to QTMP can register their interest through Supply TMR.

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Event Run Sheet

Opportunity	Downer officially awarded QTMP Design Build and Maintain Contract
Date & time	Friday, 30 June 2023 – 10.45am

Event description	Photo opportunity for the announcement of Downer's contract award.
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Location (Street Address)	Downer Rail Plant: 3 Ellena St, Maryborough
Onsite contacts	Irrelevant
Travel details/ Parking information	Car park will be available by the Admin Building. Please reverse in.
Equipment	TBC
Set-up	TBC
WH&S requirements	<p>Please wear long sleeves and trousers. Please avoid skirts and t-shirts, as well as wearing red or green.</p> <p>Safety boots are preferred to be worn at all times on site. If you do not have safety boots, flat closed in shoes must be worn. Please no heels or loafers.</p> <p>Hi-visibility vest, safety glasses and bump-cap will be provided on the day.</p>

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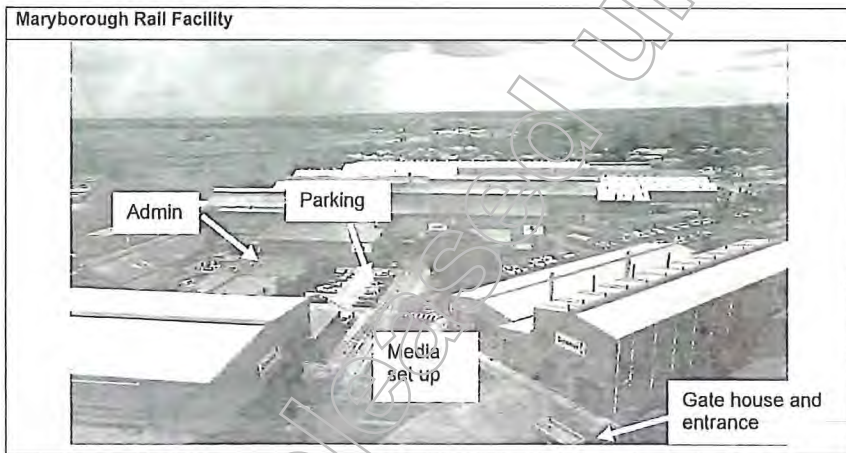
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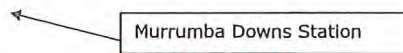
Time	Action	Person responsible
10.15am	Media Arrival	Downer representatives to escort media to collect their

		PPE, and then on to the presentation area.
10.30am	VIP arrival	<p>Visitors to drive through the gate and park in (reverse) the staff car park near the Administrative building.</p> <p>Downer representatives to escort Government and Departmental staff to the visitors lounge and boardroom for a short safety briefing.</p> <p>Visitors to be provided with PPE at this time, and then escorted down to the presentation area.</p>
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11.15am	Event concludes	<p>Media to pack down their equipment.</p> <p>Minister Bailey and Assistant Minister Saunders to make their way out with staff.</p> <p>All media will have made their way back to the Administration Building to drop off PPE and leave.</p>

Location map:



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Media alert – Maryborough

11:50am

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Where: Downer Rail Plant: 3 Ellena St, Maryborough

Media contact: Charlton Hart –

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Fast Facts: Queensland Train Manufacturing Program

- The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) has signed a Design Build and Maintain Contract with Downer for the Queensland Train Manufacturing Program (QTMP).
- The program will bring train manufacturing back to Maryborough, continuing a 150 year tradition of building trains in this community.
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- The total value of the Design Build and Maintain Contract awarded to Downer is \$4.6 billion.
- This contract will support more than 800 jobs in Maryborough over ten years..
- These are 65 new six-car passenger trains built right in here in Queensland, for Queenslanders.
- The program includes:
 - Building a purpose-built manufacturing facility at Torbanlea, 25km north of Maryborough, to build the new trains;
 - Manufacturing 65 six-car passenger trains for the SEQ network;
 - Construction of a new rail facility for train maintenance and stabling in Ormeau (on the Gold Coast); and
 - Ongoing operation and maintenance of the fleet and rail over fifteen years.
- Features that will be new to these trains include:
 - Train Boarding Bridges to make travel more accessible;
 - Electronic Leveling Control to bring train ;
 - Bike Racks on each train;
 - Charging points so that passengers can charge their devices on board.

TALKING POINTS

Grabs

- I'm pleased to announce we've finalised the procurement process and Downer has been awarded the Design Build and Maintain Contract to deliver the Queensland Train Manufacturing Program.
- Downer's proposal presented strong value for money for taxpayers: a leading-edge, accessible and modern train design, as well as a commitment to reinvest back into the community with jobs and training programs.
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Talking Points

- **65 new six-car trains:** There will be a number of features like two toilet modules on every train, bike racks and mobile phone charging stations to make travelling a breeze for commuters.
- **Fully accessible trains:** We've been working closely with the disability sector since 2021 to co-design these trains and ensure they are functional and accessible for all passengers. This co-design process will continue into detailed design and delivery.
- **Jobs for Queenslanders:** The QTMP will bring train manufacturing back to Queensland, supporting more than construction and manufacturing 800 jobs in Maryborough.
- **Training for young people on the Fraser Coast:** I'm pleased to say Downer delivered a very strong proposal that will prove a game changer for the people of Maryborough. Their proposal will deliver jobs and training for Queenslanders – particularly the Maryborough region, including a strong focus on the younger workforce.
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- **New rail facility at Ormeau:** The contract also provides for the construction of a new, modern rail facility at Ormeau on the Gold Coast to maintain and stable the QTMP fleet over their operational life.

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QTMP - FAQs

Will the trains be built here, or built overseas and assembled here?

The QTMP trains will be built at the Torbanlea Manufacturing Facility.

The facility's capabilities will include steel fabrication, robotic-assisted welding, bogie construction, car body building, electrical manufacturing, equipment fit-out and testing of the completed rollingstock.

While some materials, components and systems will likely need to be obtained from international suppliers, we will be ensuring that as many materials as possible are sourced from Queensland and Australia.

Why have you previously state \$7.1 billion but the contract value is \$4.6 billion?

The \$7.1 billion that we've stated is an estimate of cost of building and operating the trains.

These trains will have an operational life of around 35 years. This contract with Downer covers capital and operational costs over fifteen years only.

How many jobs will be created by the project?

QTMP will create hundreds of jobs and build a long-term sustainable rail supply chain for Queensland.

- The QTMP will support more than 800 jobs here in Maryborough with more jobs in the construction of a stabling and maintenance facility at Ormeau.
- Once operational the maintenance facility will support around 100 ongoing jobs.

When will the first train start services, and when will the entire fleet be in service?

QTMP will help support the service uplift required for Cross River Rail and the 2032 Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games.

The first train is anticipated to be manufactured in 2026, with all trains expected to be in service by 2032.

Will the government keep making trains in Maryborough after the 65 trains are built?

Built into the contract are options for further trains (a further 15). So this contract provides certainty to young people in Maryborough and the Hervey Bay region that there will be ongoing manufacturing jobs in this region.

The Palaszczuk Government is committed to manufacturing trains in Queensland. That's why the Torbanlea facility, while it will be built by Downer, will remain the property of the State.

We've designed this program so that when we order our next set of trains the supplier at that time, if it isn't Downer, will be able to fit right in.

Will the trains be ready in time for Cross River Rail and the Olympics?

QTMP will help support the service uplift required after the opening of Cross River Rail and for the 2032 Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games.

The entire QTMP fleet will be in service in time for the 2032 Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Will the trains be fully accessible?

The QTMP trains will be the most accessible trains in Queensland's history. They will feature two accessible toilets, wheelchair allocated spaces, priority seats, braille on signage and hearing loops in all cars.

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Can bikes be taken on the train?

The QTMP trains will include a total of four (4) dedicated bike racks, with two (2) bike racks in the first and last carriages. One (1) bike will be able to be parked in each bike rack.

Does that mean a limit of four bikes per train?

The current policy provides a limit of four or e-scooters per train, two in the front and two in the rear carriage.

There is no limit on the number of bicycles on trains in off peak periods, pending space requirements.

Will QR staff operate the trains?

Absolutely. Similar to the existing New Generation Rollingstock trains, QR staff will operate the trains as guards and drivers.

Will QR maintain the trains?

The contract provides for Down to maintain the fleet at a new, dedicated maintenance facility in Ormeau for 15 years with four, five-year options to extend (up to 35 years in total).

How can local businesses supply goods or services to QTMP?

Businesses interested in supplying goods and services to QTMP can register their interest through [Supply TMR](#).

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Event Run Sheet

Opportunity	Downer officially awarded QTMP Design Build and Maintain Contract
Date & time	Friday, 30 June 2023 – 12.00pm
Event description	Photo opportunity for the announcement of Downer's contract award.

Location (Street Address)	Downer Rail Plant: 3 Ellena St, Maryborough		
Onsite contacts	Irrelevant		
	Leith Knight (Senior Media Advisor - TMR)	Irrelevant	
Travel details/ Parking information	Car park will be available by the Admin Building. Please reverse in.		
Equipment	Nil		
Set-up	Nil		
WH&S requirements	<p><u>Please wear long sleeves and trousers.</u> Please avoid skirts and t-shirts, as well as wearing red or green.</p> <p>Safety boots are preferred to be worn at all times on site. If you do not have safety boots, flat closed in shoes must be worn. <u>Please no heels or loafers.</u></p> <p>Hi-visibility vest, safety glasses and bump-cap will be provided on the day.</p>		

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Order of events – do not break table over a page

Time	Action	Person responsible
11.30am	Media Arrival	Downer representatives to escort media to collect their PPE.
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Bruce also needs to go above Butcher and needs Member for Maryborough in his title

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To: Courtney Thompson; Kerryn Manifold; @PremMediaOffice
Subject: RE: QTMP contact execution - update

Update – this will now be ready to announce Friday 23 June.

From: Lesley Major
Sent: Friday, June 16, 2023 10:04 AM
To: Courtney Thompson <Courtney.Thompson@ministerial.qld.gov.au>; Kerryn Manifold <Kerryn.Manifold@ministerial.qld.gov.au>; @PremMediaOffice <PremMediaOffice@ministerial.qld.gov.au>
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To: Lesley Major <Lesley.Major@ministerial.qld.gov.au>; Kerryn Manifold <Kerryn.Manifold@ministerial.qld.gov.au>; @PremMediaOffice <PremMediaOffice@ministerial.qld.gov.au>
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Can you confirm if this will trigger an ASX release for Downer?

Thanks,
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From: Lesley Major <Lesley.Major@ministerial.qld.gov.au>
Sent: Friday, June 16, 2023 9:55 AM
To: Kerryn Manifold <Kerryn.Manifold@ministerial.qld.gov.au>; @PremMediaOffice <PremMediaOffice@ministerial.qld.gov.au>
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Hi – advising that the QTMP contract will be executed next Thursday 22 June.

Just FYI, we were planning to be at Yeronga Station that day, doing an exclusive with ABC on the disability upgrades at Yeronga Station.



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Sent: Wednesday, 12 July 2023 5:16 PM
To: Mark Bailey
Cc: Stuart Stark; @PremMediaOffice; Alana Tibbitts
Subject: FW: Courier-Mail: Queensland Train program

Hi all

See below, questions to TMR from Courier Mail and revised TMR response below for your information. Let me know your thoughts and I'll get back to TMR.

Their revised deadline is now 11am tomorrow.

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Cc: Cameron Y Leslie <Cameron.Leslie@translink.com.au>; Translink Media <Translink.Media@translink.com.au>;
@Minister Bailey Media <MinisterBaileyMedia@min.internal>
Subject: RE: Courier-Mail: Queensland Train program

Any update on this one please?

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@Minister Bailey Media <MinisterBaileyMedia@min.internal>
Subject: FW: Courier-Mail: Queensland Train program

Hi Lesley and Charlton,

I just wanted to forward you the below enquiry from the CM on the QTMP for your awareness and let you know we are pushing through a response.

Kind regards,
Doug

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Sent: Wednesday, 12 July 2023 10:44 AM
To: Media <media@tmr.qld.gov.au>
Subject: Courier-Mail: Queensland Train program

Hi team,

Can I please ask a few questions about the Queensland Train Manufacturing program.

The cost appears to have risen from \$7.1bn to \$9.5bn thought the scope is the same. Screenshots from website attached.

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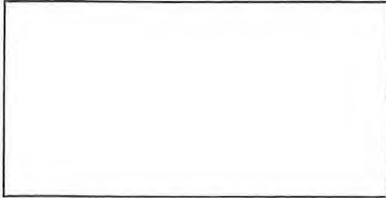
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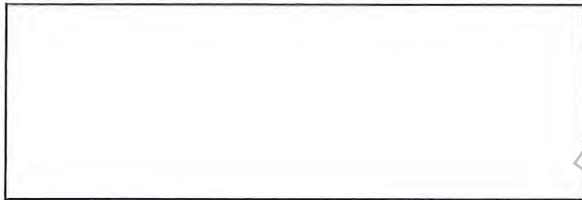


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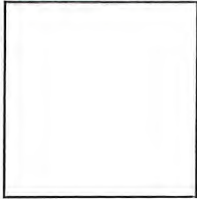
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Cc: Emilia Hutchinson; Amy Hunter; @PremMediaOffice
Subject: Re: HIB - BAILEY - QTMP

Fine by me.

This is a pipeline of good jobs for the people of Maryborough and wide bay for the next 20 years.

Only this week we saw 1000 Qld made armoured vehicles sold to Germany. That's jobs for Ipswich.

We make no apology for returning local manufacturing to Qld.

Sent from my iPhone

On 14 Jul 2023, at 7:26 am, Lesley Major <Lesley.Major@ministerial.qld.gov.au> wrote:

Hi all – QTMP HIB attached and below. Call me if any questions.
Cheers

QTMP COST

The new figure published on the TMR website includes options for a further twenty years (to 2058) of operational and maintenance costs.

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4. State project management costs and project contingency.
1. External labour and commodity escalations and final market pricing received by the three shortlisted proponents

Background

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Group to build and maintain 65 new passenger trains in Queensland.

The \$4.6 billion contract represents the cost of building a new purpose-built facility at Torbanlea, and the cost of the design and manufacture of 65 new passenger train sets to support a service uplift after the commencement of services associated with Cross River Rail.

The \$4.6 billion contract also includes construction of a new stabling and maintenance facility at Ormeau which will support 100 ongoing jobs once operational.

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Subject: Re: Statement from Mark Bailey, Minister for Transport and Main Roads

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Sent from my iPhone

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Attachments: MR - QTMP Contract Signed - CT.docx

Hi all,

Can you please have a squiz at the attached?

Have made some amendments to the top half of the release, added Prem quotes and put some local lines into Bruce's quotes.

Let me know if there are any issues,

Thanks,
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Cc: Cameron Y Leslie <Cameron.Leslie@translink.com.au>
Subject: Amended Fast Facts, TPs and Q&A

Amended to incorporate, as discussed amongst ourselves.

Please consider ...

Cameron – would you mind socialising my amends amongst the Translinkians?



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Fast Facts: Queensland Train Manufacturing Program

- The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) has signed the Design Build and Maintain Contract with Downer for the Queensland Train Manufacturing Program (QTMP).
- The \$9.5 billion program will bring train manufacturing back to Queensland Maryborough, continuing a 150 year tradition of building trains in this community.
 - ~~\$4.869 billion CAPEX~~
 - ~~\$4.597 billion maintenance over 35 years~~
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 - Building Manufacturing 65 six-car passenger trains for the SEQ network;
 - Construction of a new rail facility for train maintenance and stabling in Ormeau (on the Gold Coast); and
 - ~~The e~~Ongoing operation and maintenance of the fleet and rail facility over fifteen years.
- Additional scope Features that will be new to these trains has also been added to the QTMP, including:
 - Train Boarding Bridges to make travel more accessible;
 - Electronic Leveling Control to bring train ;
 - Bike Racks on each train;

- o Charging points so that passengers can charge their devices on board.
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TALKING POINTS

Grabs

- I'm pleased to announce we've finalised the procurement process and selected Downer has been awarded the Design Build and Maintain Contract to deliver the Queensland Train Manufacturing Program.
- Downer's proposal presented strong value for money for taxpayers: a leading-edge, accessible and modern train design, as well as a commitment to reinvest back into the community with jobs and training programs.
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Talking Points

- **65 new six-car trains:** There will be a number of features like two toilet modules on every train, bike racks and USB-mobile phone charging stations to make travelling a breeze for commuters.
- **Fully accessible trains:** We've been working closely with the disability sector since 2021 to co-design these trains and ensure they are functional and accessible for all passengers. This co-design process will continue into detailed design and delivery.
- **Jobs for Queenslanders:** The QTMP will bring train manufacturing back to Queensland, supporting more than construction and manufacturing 800-1300 jobs in Maryborough over the term of the contract.
- **Training for youth young people on the Fraser Coast:** I'm pleased to say Downer delivered a very strong proposal that will prove a game changer for the people of Maryborough. Their proposal will deliver jobs and training for

Queenslanders – particularly the Maryborough region, including a strong focus on the younger workforce.

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- **New rail facility at Ormeau:** The contract also provides for the construction of a new, modern rail facility at Ormeau on the Gold Coast to maintain and stable the QTMP fleet over their operational life. –

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QTMP - FAQs

Will the trains be built here, or built overseas and assembled here?

The QTMP trains will be built at the Torbanlea Manufacturing Facility. The facility's capabilities will include steel fabrication, robotic-assisted welding, bogie construction, car body building, electrical manufacturing, equipment fit-out and testing of the completed rollingstock.

While some materials, components and systems will likely need to be obtained from international suppliers, we will be ensuring that as many materials as possible are sourced from Queensland and Australia.

How much will the project cost? Why have you previously stated \$7.1 billion but the contract value is \$4.6 billion?

The \$7.1 billion that we've stated is an estimate of cost of building and operating the trains.

These trains will have an operational life of around 35 years. This contract with Downer covers capital and operational costs over fifteen years only.

The government committed to \$9.5 billion for the project, which includes the cost of building and operating the trains, and the cost of the rail infrastructure.

How many jobs will be created by the project?

QTMP will create hundreds of jobs and build a long-term sustainable rail supply chain for Queensland.

- Over the next 15 years, the QTMP will employ around 1,000 jobs in the Maryborough area. The contract will also include the construction of a stabling and maintenance facility at Ormeau.
- Once operational the maintenance facility will support around 100 ongoing jobs.

When will the first train start services, and when will the entire fleet be in service?

QTMP will help support the service uplift required for Cross River Rail and the 2032 Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games.

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Will the government keep making trains in Maryborough after the 65 trains are built?

Built into the contract are options for further trains (a further 15). So this contract provides certainty to young people in Maryborough and the Hervey Bay region that there will be ongoing manufacturing jobs in this region.

The Palaszczuk Government is committed to manufacturing trains in Queensland. That's why the Torbantea facility, while it will be built by Downer, will remain the property of the State.

We've designed this program so that when we order our next set of trains the supplier at that time, if it isn't Downer, will be able to fit right in.

Will the trains be ready in time for Cross River Rail and the Olympics?

QTMP will help support the service uplift required after the opening of Cross River Rail and for the 2032 Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games.

The entire QTMP fleet will be in service in time for the 2032 Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Will the trains be fully accessible?

The QTMP trains will be the most accessible trains in Queensland's history. They will feature two accessible toilets, wheelchair allocated spaces, priority seats, braille on signage and hearing loops in all cars.

The QTMP project team is undertaking genuine, early, and comprehensive engagement with the disability sector to ensure a fully compliant fleet of trains that is accessible and functional for all passengers.

Can bikes be taken on the train?

The QTMP trains will include a total of four (4) dedicated bike racks, with two (2) bike racks in the first and last carriages. One (1) bike will be able to be parked in each bike rack.

Does that mean a limit of four bikes per train?

The current policy provides a limit of four or e-scooters per train, two in the front and two in the rear carriage.

There is no limit on the number of bicycles on trains in off peak periods, pending space requirements.

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Will QR staff operate the trains?

Absolutely. Similar to the existing New Generation Rollingstock trains, QR staff will operate the trains as guards and drivers.

Will QR maintain the trains?

The successful bidder The contract provides for Downer to will maintain the fleet at a new, dedicated maintenance facility in Ormeau for 15 years with four, five-year options to extend (up to 35 years in total).

How long will the proposed applicant maintain the fleet?

The proposed applicant will maintain the fleet for an initial term of 15 years, with an option to extend by an additional 20 years based on performance to a possible 35 years total.

How can local businesses supply goods or services to QTMP?

Businesses interested in supplying goods and services to QTMP can register their interest through [Supply TMR](#).

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Event Run Sheet

Opportunity	Downer officially awarded QTMP Design Build and Maintain Contract
Date & time	Friday, 30 June 2023 – 10.45am
Event description	Photo opportunity for the announcement of Downer's contract award.

Location (Street Address)	Downer Rail Plant: 3 Ellena St, Maryborough
Onsite contacts	Irrelevant
Travel details/ Parking information	Car park will be available by the Admin Building. Please reverse in.
Equipment	TBC
Set-up	TBC
WH&S requirements	<p><u>Please wear long sleeves and trousers.</u> Please avoid skirts and t-shirts, as well as wearing red or green.</p> <p>Safety boots are preferred to be worn at all times on site. If you do not have safety boots, flat closed in shoes must be worn. <u>Please no heels or loafers.</u></p> <p>Hi-visibility vest, safety glasses and bump-cap will be provided on the day.</p>

Department/project team contacts

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Invitees (liaise with Minister and Treasurer's office about who will invite attendees)

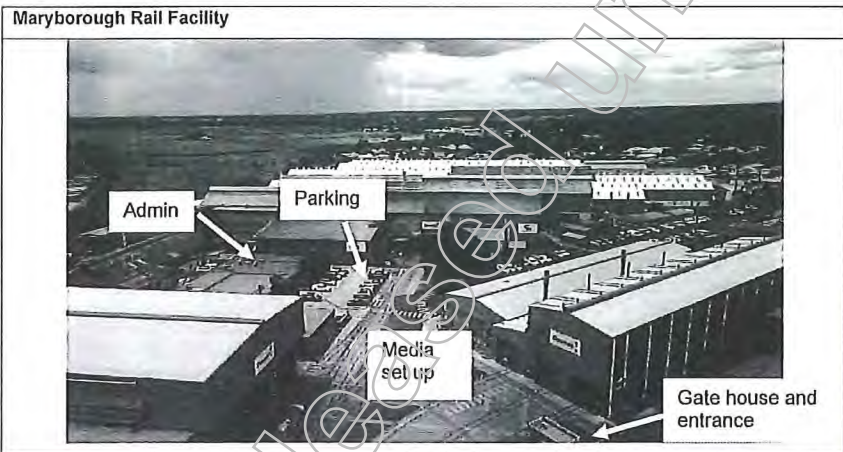
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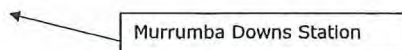
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10.15am	Media Arrival	Downer representatives to escort media to collect their PPE, and then on to the presentation area.

10.30am	VIP arrival	<p>Visitors to drive through the gate and park in (reverse) the staff car park near the Administrative building.</p> <p>Downer representatives to escort Government and Departmental staff to the visitors lounge and boardroom for a short safety briefing.</p> <p>Visitors to be provided with PPE at this time, and then escorted down to the presentation area.</p>
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11.15am	Event concludes	<p>Media to pack down their equipment.</p> <p>Minister Bailey and Assistant Minister Saunders to make their way out with staff.</p> <p>All media will have made their way back to the Administration Building to drop off PPE and leave.</p>

Location map:



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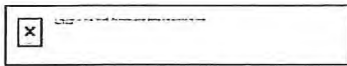
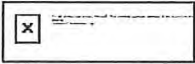
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Subject: Maryborough's Downer locked in as Queensland's rail manufacturing powerhouse



JOINT STATEMENT

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The Honourable Anastacia Palaszczuk

Minister for Transport and Main Roads and Minister for Digital Services

The Honourable Mark Bailey

Assistant Minister for Train Manufacturing and Regional Roads

Mr Bruce Saunders

Maryborough's Downer locked in as Queensland's rail manufacturing powerhouse

Image - Downer

- Downer signs \$4.6 billion contract to deliver Palaszczuk Government's landmark Queensland Train Manufacturing Program.
- The contract will deliver 65 passenger trains, for use on the South East Queensland rail network, and support 800 jobs in construction and manufacturing.
- The first train set to be delivered in 2026, with all 65 on track for 2032.
- Early works are underway at the state-owned Torbanlea facility where trains will be manufactured.

The \$7.1 billion Queensland Train Manufacturing Program is now in motion with a \$4.6 billion contract now officially signed for Downer Group to design and manufacture these trains.

Premier Anastacia Palaszczuk made a commitment to Queenslanders that rail manufacturing jobs would be returned to Maryborough, with this investment set to support 800 construction and manufacturing jobs.

Downer is now tasked with the manufacture 65 passenger trains at a state-owned purpose-built facility at Torbanlea.

Negotiations have been underway since Downer was announced as the preferred supplier for the program earlier this year.

The new trains will be more accessible for people with a disability, with the addition of Train Boarding Bridges and Electronic Levelling Controls to address the gaps between platforms and trains, as well as phone charging capabilities.

Construction is expected to start by the end of the year on both the manufacturing facility in Torbanlea and a new rail stabling and maintenance facility at Ormeau on the Gold Coast.

Train Manufacturing is key to Queensland's Big Build, a record \$89 billion dollar investment into infrastructure by the Palaszczuk Government over the next 4 years.

Queensland Big Build will support 58,000 jobs over the next 24 months as part of the state's biggest infrastructure spend on record.

Quotes attributable to Queensland Premier Anastacia Palaszczuk:

"Our government made a promise to bring train building back to Maryborough, and we have delivered.

"I saw how much this contract means to the men and women of Maryborough when I visited Downer earlier this year – now we can get on with the job of building.

"Not only does this \$7.1 billion program secure generations of job security, skills and training in Maryborough, but it sets our state up for a strong transport future.

"Because Queensland trains should be made in Queensland."

Quotes attributable to the Minister for Transport & Main Roads Mark Bailey:

"The Palaszczuk Government is bringing train manufacturing back to Queensland, supporting good jobs and billions in investment for the regions.

"This isn't just about delivering 65 new trains, this is creating opportunities for Torbanlea, Maryborough, and the wider region.

"With the contract signed and sealed, Downer Group will begin recruiting for the construction and manufacturing jobs that this project will bring.

"Downer Group has committed to making jobs and training for Queenslanders its priority".

Quotes attributable to the Assistant Minister for Regional Roads and Train Manufacturing and Member for Maryborough Bruce Saunders:

"I fought hard for the people of Maryborough to see this commitment delivered on.

"This isn't just about building trains – it's an investment in the decades of skill we have here in Maryborough and in the generations of train builders to come.

"Early works are already underway in Torbanlea and in coming weeks they'll start setting up site compounds, which will get the ball rolling for major construction to begin later this year.

"The first trains will complete manufacturing and commence testing in late 2026, with all 65 trains expected to be in service by 2032.

"These 65 new trains will support South East Queensland's population boom, as well as Cross River Rail and the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games."

Quotes attributable to the Minister for Regional Development and Manufacturing Glenn Butcher:

"If we can make it here in Queensland, we should.

"We know our Queensland manufacturers are some of the best in the world, so it's fantastic to be part of the Palaszczuk Labor Government that's bringing train manufacturing back to local workshops.

"The Palaszczuk Labor Government backs manufacturing because making things here means more local jobs."

Quotes attributable to the member for Hervey Bay Adrian Tantari:

"This is a great moment for the entire Fraser Coast community.

"This is going to bring jobs, it is going to bring skills and it is going to bring career long opportunity for young people who want to stay on in the region.

"Only a Palaszczuk Labor Government can deliver this for Queensland".

Quotes attributable to State Secretary of the Australian Manufacturing Workers' Union Rohan Webb:

"Campbell Newman sent rail manufacturing overseas. For years, the AMWU has proudly campaigned alongside our Downer EDI members and the Maryborough community to bring rail manufacturing back home. Today, our dream is one step closer to becoming a reality.

"The billions of dollars in investment by the Palaszczuk Government will bring rail manufacturing back home, securing the future of hundreds of workers in Maryborough.

"AMWU members at Downer EDI in Maryborough are skilled, respected, and acknowledged as some of the best train manufacturers in Australia. And now they're set to lead the way as we rebuild manufacturing capacity in Australia."

Fast Facts:

- Downer will build 65 new six-car trains and associated infrastructure, in Queensland, by Queenslanders, for Queenslanders.
- 800 jobs supported in the region
- Delivered as part of the \$7.1 billion Queensland made Train Manufacturing Program.
- The trains will begin rolling out onto the South East Queensland rail network from 2026.
- The Queensland made Train Manufacturing Program will create up to 3000 jobs in construction and manufacturing across Queensland.

- The \$4.6 billion contract delivers on construction, manufacturing and maintenance for the next 15 years.

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To: Courtney Thompson
Cc: Lesley Major; @PremMediaOffice; Hamish Bessant; Tam van Alphen
Subject: Re: Courier-Mail: Queensland Train program

Good one

Sent from my iPhone

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Subject: [Transcript] Press conference: Transport and Main Roads Minister Mark Bailey answers questions on train manufacturing costs on Friday 14 July 2023
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Press conference: Transport and Main Roads Minister Mark Bailey answers questions on train manufacturing costs on Friday 14 July 2023. *Transcript attached. Listen [here](#)*

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Transcript

Engagement: Press conference
Speaker/s: Transport and Main Roads Minister Mark Bailey
Date: 14 July 2023
Duration: 16 minutes 33 seconds

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MINISTER BAILEY:

Look, great to be here. We all know the record of the previous government, ordering 75 trains that were made overseas on the cheap. We saw the outcome of that. Manufacturing jobs for Queensland workers sent overseas, trains coming back that were disability noncompliant, and we're still fixing them to this day. We've fixed the majority of them now, and we're working through the last series of them at the moment, having worked with the disability groups to make sure the design has been upgraded and doing the work that should have been done in the first place. So under the Palaszczuk Government, we are committed to the next 65 new trains on the South East Queensland network to be made by Queensland manufacturing workers in Maryborough, and we are committed to not just these trains but to the medium and long term in terms of investing in the rail manufacturing sector here so that people have stable long-term high value manufacturing jobs in Queensland. That's what we need. We've got a booming population so these 65 trains will be needed. But we will need a lot more trains progressing after that.

So our policy has been very clear. We're building a publicly owned state of the art rail manufacturing facility there at Maryborough. And under the contract that we signed recently, we've had a number of add-ons. So this is now 10 kilometres of specific test track for the new trains. When the Newman government ordered the NGR trains, they had nowhere to test them other than on the system. That was a massive mistake and that's something that we're rectifying. They've got new features in terms of accessibility, in terms of technology on every carriage so that the carriages lean into the platform, they have little platforms that come out that meet the fingers so that there's virtually no gap for people getting on trains who have got disability issues. And so, this contract that we signed relatively recently is going to be a very strong long-term 35-year commitment to manufacturing trains here in Queensland to have the infrastructure we need in terms of the factory, the test track, and the technology that means that these trains will not just be Queensland made, but they're going to be best practice trains that everyone can be proud of. And to ensure that we never make the mistakes of the LNP under Campbell Newman and David Crisafulli. We know what a botch-up they made then. They cancelled Cross River Rail; they botched up the train contract. Public transport was one of the most embarrassing and humiliating parts of their government.

REPORTER:

Can you break down the extra \$2.4 billion? Is that because of the test track or the accessibility? Just break it down, where is that cost increase coming from?

Transcript

MINISTER BAILEY:

Yeah, look, so basically, this is a 35-year contract. So people have got to see this figure in terms of the operating cost over that period of time. As we announced a couple of weeks ago, there's a \$4.6 billion component to the first 15 years. So they're involved in that, it's not just the operating for the first 15 years, but it's the cost of the trains, the manufacturing facility, the 10-kilometre test track, the new technology we've been able to negotiate with Downer that goes into it. And then there is four series of five-year options that are based on performance. And so, the 9.5 figure is a projection based on current high inflation environment over 35 years that include those options that we will look at progressively on a five-year basis. So Downer will have to perform under this contract. There's no doubt about that. And that's what this figure is about. We put it out there on the world wide web. We are very... you know, basically, you can't be more transparent than that. And, you know, this is a figure that's got to be seen in the context of 35 years of operating as well as substantial capital in those first five or six years as we build the facility and we build the trains initially.

REPORTER:

Why didn't you announce that when you were in Maryborough two weeks ago talking about this contract? Why not say this is the overall spend?

MINISTER BAILEY:

Well, the clear number, definitive number is the 15-year number. And after that it's performance based. So you need a projection. And that's what this number is, it's a projection based on the negotiation with Downer and that was a negotiation process over about five months, which they have to take into account the current economics environment. And we all know from... you know, we're dealing with a high inflation environment that was inherited from the Morrison government. We're seeing the cost of materials, steel, concrete, everything has gone up enormously in the construction sector, private and public. And so that had to be factored into the contract. And so, from the beginning of the initial preferred supplier, which we signed in January, to the eventual final contract in June, the extra features were negotiated, which meant a much better contract for the rail sector here in Queensland. But it also had to take into account those economic factors as well.

REPORTER:

Sorry, Minister, just to be clear. So you're saying two weeks ago you knew that \$9.5 billion was the total project figure yet you still called it a \$7.1 billion project?

MINISTER BAILEY:

Well, we announced a couple of weeks ago, the 15-year component of it, which was \$4.6. That was the announcement, and...

REPORTER:

You also mentioned \$7.1 billion at that time as well.

MINISTER BAILEY:

Sorry, what was that last bit?

REPORTER:

You also called it \$7.1 billion, you didn't just talk about \$4.6 billion.

MINISTER BAILEY:

My recollection is I called it a \$4.6 billion project. But...

REPORTER:

I've got a press release from you that calls it \$7.1 billion issued on June 30.

MINISTER BAILEY:

Oh, okay, all right. Well, okay, I accept your view on that. But what we needed to do was the difference between when we signed on Downer as the preferred supplier, there was no negotiating process before we signed them on as the actual contractor, where we dealt with a whole range of issues, including all the extras. So the test track, the extra technology for accessibility on every single carriage, for instance, were all added into the contract. And then we have to make an account for the 35 years. So any small change that you negotiate will have a larger impact over 35-year contracts. So I've seen silly analysis by people like the LNP to divide up the number of trains by the total number of the contract. I mean, it's just ridiculous. You've got to operate the system year in year out for three and a half decades. And so, when you look at that figure in terms of that, it is it is a logical figure. And it's an operating cost that if you look at the NGR contract, there will be an operating cost there with with Bombardier over a long period of time as well.

REPORTER:

So to clear up any confusion about the cost, though. So you've said 15 years and \$4.6 billion?

MINISTER BAILEY:

That's right. \$4.6 billion, that's correct.

REPORTER:

So that's for 15 years? Where does the \$7.1 billion figure get to?

MINISTER BAILEY:

Well, that was an initial estimate of what the projection would be.

REPORTER:

For how many years?

MINISTER BAILEY:

For 35 years.

REPORTER:

So it's \$7.1 billion for 35 years, and now it's \$9.5 billion for the same period of time?

MINISTER BAILEY:

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That's exactly right. So you start the negotiation process, when through the procurement process you have a preferred supplier, which Downer won that on merit. You then go into a negotiation process around the detail over what 35 years looks and what you need and want. And what we wanted was a test track so that we didn't need to be testing these trains and holding up our freight system or holding up our commuter system, as happened under the NGRs. We wanted the latest technology, so that if you're on a wheelchair and you're getting out of a carriage onto a platform, you have the platform that comes out of the train that gets you on. And we also needed to take in the current economic environment. So all those things are a part of that negotiation process over five or so months. And that is the outcome of the situation. And look, we're very proud of the fact that we are going to be building Queensland trains by Queensland manufacturing workers here in Queensland. It is a stark contrast to the botch-ups under the LNP, where they ordered them from overseas, they were inferior trains that were not compliant with disability, and we're still fixing that problem eight and a half years after that government ended.

REPORTER:

So over 35 years, there is a \$2.4 billion increase. And you've just listed the reasons for that. Why didn't you come out and publicly announce that \$2.4 billion increase?

MINISTER BAILEY:

Oh, well, because that difference there is a matter of the performance under those five-year options. And there's four five-year options. That figure could adjust downwards over time as well. It really depends on a whole lot of different factors, including the economy...

REPORTER:

But it is a government projection...

MINISTER BAILEY:

...and including the performance of the contract. So we're very... the definitive number actually is \$4.6 billion over 15 years. And then after that is performance based on five-year options. So we want to see the contractor perform in that first 15 years for them to earn future options. And after that...

REPORTER:

[inaudible]

MINISTER BAILEY:

...but you do need a projected number over the complete period, which is what we've got.

REPORTER:

But that projected number has gone up, and it wasn't announced.

MINISTER BAILEY:

As a part of the negotiation process. So there has been an adjustment to that number. Absolutely.

REPORTER:

But surely [inaudible] updating the website is not being transparent. [inaudible] \$2.4 billion increase?

MINISTER BAILEY:

Well, this is a number we've volunteered ourselves on the world wide web. I'm not sure how more transparent we can be than doing that.

REPORTER:

[inaudible] months in development. You've done multiple press conferences, press releases spruiking \$7.1 billion [inaudible]. Why are you saying now that it was actually much more than that?

MINISTER BAILEY:

We put out that figure voluntarily. I don't know how much more transparent we can be. This is not something that comes out under some RTI or someone leaking something. This was something we volunteered and put on the world wide web. So we've been very transparent about this and there is a cost to building trains here. I think people accept that building trains in Queensland will cost more than if we send that contract overseas. But I think people support the fact that that it is worth doing that because it keeps the money in our state. It puts the money in the pockets of workers, which means they can pay off houses, have careers and have a good lifestyle rather than sending those jobs overseas.

REPORTER:

You didn't exactly try to draw attention to it though, did you? There was no press conference, no announcement.

MINISTER BAILEY:

Look, this has been a very scrutinised process over a long period of time. Everyone knows our policy on this. We took this to an election, we were going to build trains in Queensland, by Queensland workers. We've been very clear about that. Not a commitment made by the LNP. They didn't even budget to build trains in Queensland at the last election. So they didn't just botch it up under the Newman Crisafulli government back in 2014, they went to the 2020 election with no costing to build trains in Queensland as recently as only two and a half years ago. So I won't be lectured to by the LNP whose record on public transport, whether it's sending the train manufacturing overseas when they're in power, cutting Cross River Rail when they were in power, I won't be lectured to by them, because they don't understand public transport and their record is terrible.

REPORTER:

Did the Government know about this two weeks ago when it announced \$7.1 billion?

MINISTER BAILEY:

Look, what we knew a couple of weeks ago is the definitive figure that we are very clear on is the 15-year figure, which is actually 4.6. And, you know, after that you need some kind of

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projection over the 35 years, which is an estimate. And, you know, we'll see how that progresses over time. It could be smaller.

REPORTER:

[inaudible] did the Government have any idea about the \$9.5 billion two weeks ago?

MINISTER BAILEY:

The \$9.5 billion figure is one that we put out in media voluntarily. The public is aware...

REPORTER:

What about two weeks ago? Specifically two weeks ago, did you know about it?

MINISTER BAILEY:

Look, I didn't know about it. But it didn't seem to be the major emphasis of the contract. That contract is a 35-year project. We had \$4.6 billion worth of investment for 15 years that's locked in. And after that, it's performance based. So, you know, this is a figure, this is not an ironclad figure like you have on many other projects. This is a 35-year program. And you know, there's a cost with bringing the train manufacturing home here to Queensland.

REPORTER:

So the Government knowingly put out the \$7.1 billion figure. Two weeks ago, you're saying you knew that figure was different?

MINISTER BAILEY:

Look, I wasn't, I'm not aware what that figure was in that particular press release. You'd have to show me that press release, happy to have a look at it. No, that's not a problem. But we voluntarily put that figure out there. And, you know, there's a cost to making sure that these jobs are done by Queensland, blue collar workers. We want to see that happen.

REPORTER:

Was there covering up because you worried it wasn't a good value for money? Is there a problem with how much this project is costing?

MINISTER BAILEY:

Not at all. Any other questions?

REPORTER:

Just to clarify something just to make sure I've understood. Your comments today that the reason for the increase were due to the extension, the 20-year extension. But I think you are saying now that the \$7.1 billion was related to [inaudible] as the \$9.5 [inaudible]? Have I understood you correctly there?

MINISTER BAILEY:

So let's go through this, \$4.6 billion is the 15-year figure. After that you go to four- or five-year options to take you up to 35 years. The 9.5 is a projection of where we think it may be

over the 35-year estimate. That figure could come down based on performance, based on lower inflation rates, based on lower costs. At the moment...

REPORTER:

[inaudible]

MINISTER BAILEY:

I think that's unlikely because the economy at the moment, in terms of costs has ratcheted up to an all-time high, it's as highest I've ever seen in my adult lifetime, both in terms of inflation, left by Scott Morrison, and the flow on to costs like steel, timber, you know, everything that goes into the manufacturing process, the costs are at an all-time high. So, you know, we're negotiating this contract in that current environment. And that current environment is very, very unlikely to continue into even the... I believe, the short term, because we, you know, last month, we saw the inflation figure come down a percent and the Federal Government is working hard to bring inflation rate down. So the current circumstance, we had to negotiate their contract between January and June, in that kind of economic environment, the economic environment, even in 12 months' time is likely to be a lot better. And over time, you will see the economy in much better shape. So I'm expecting that figure, if it changes, to come down rather than go up.

REPORTER:

What [inaudible] strategies involved during that five-month negotiation period on behalf of Downer and the Government. Was there a [inaudible] strategy involved in that negotiation [inaudible]?

MINISTER BAILEY:

Not that I'm aware of. I believe this was a direct negotiation between Downer and the procurement process.

REPORTER:

You were aware of the \$9.5 billion figure two weeks ago. The Government chose not to announce it. When was the government actually first aware of the \$9.5 million figure?

MINISTER BAILEY:

You'd have to ask officers involved in that procurement process. You know, you can understand, as a Minister, the procurement process is an entirely separate to me. I do not have any role. And nor should I, nor should any government minister have any role in a procurement process, you hear the outcome of the procurement process towards the end. So, you know, this...

REPORTER:

So you must've known about it, then? \$2.4 billion, that is a lot of money, you must remember when you heard that?

MINISTER BAILEY:

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Look, this was an important announcement, the figure that was that I was very interested and keen on was the \$4.6 billion over 15 years, that's the most certain and clear figure. And, you know, that you need a projected figure over 35 years. That really was subsidiary that was a not as an important point as the fact that the clear number in terms of getting the facility built, getting the trains built, so you've got a big capital component in that 4.6. But then you've got 15 years' operating in there as well. You know, after 15 years, you know, that depends on performance and the economy, where will the economy be in 15 years. None of us in this room or this state knows that. It's too far off into the future.

REPORTER:

When did you first know about the \$9.5 billion figure?

MINISTER BAILEY:

Very late in the piece. Yeah, very the bit that I don't remember a specific date, but that it was a matter for the procurement process, which is separate from me as a minister.

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I'm advised that the figure is published on the TMR website.

It includes options for a further twenty years (to 2058) of operational and maintenance costs.

The program value over the next 35 years includes:

- A Design Build Maintain (DBM) Contract with Downer;
- Additional train stabling and a 10-kilometre test track;
- A further 20 years of operation and maintenance (beyond the 15 years included in the DBM Contract);
- State project management costs and project contingency;
- The impact of labour shortages and supply chain issues on final pricing received by the three shortlisted proponents

The correct figure has now been updated on the TMR website.

We either fund this and support hundreds of jobs in regional Queensland or do what the LNP would and cut jobs.

The only thing the LNP built was 1 William Street.

Background

On 30 June, the Palaszczuk Government announced the execution of a fifteen year, \$4.6 billion, contract for the Downer Group to build and maintain 65 new passenger trains in Queensland.

The \$4.6 billion contract represents the cost of building a new purpose-built facility at Torbanlea, and the cost of the design and manufacture of 65 new passenger train sets to support a service uplift after the commencement of services associated with Cross River Rail.

The \$4.6 billion contract also includes construction of a new stabling and maintenance facility at Ormeau which will support 100 ongoing jobs once operational.

This investment by the Palaszczuk Government's is rejuvenating rail manufacturing in Maryborough, supporting 800 construction and manufacturing jobs for regional Queensland.

The \$9.5 billion program budget will be largely reinvested directly back into Queensland, with Downer making guarantees for the extensive use of local suppliers.

QTMP will also significantly improve the manufacturing industry in Queensland.

The first train is anticipated to be manufactured and begin testing by late 2026, with all trains expected to be in service by 2032.

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Are you happy to progress?

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This has been approved by DG Rachel Hunter today, 24 July 2023.

Kindest regards,



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Dear Minister

Thank you for your letter of 12 July 2023 regarding updates to probity procedures following the awarding of the Design Build Maintain contract to Downer for the delivery of the Queensland Train Manufacturing Program (QTMP).

The significant work undertaken by the Department of Transport and Main Roads in reaching this important milestone in the QTMP project, and the benefits this project will bring to the State, is acknowledged.

As the QTMP project moves into the next phase, I note your advice regarding the continued sensitivity of confidential information provided by Downer, with confidential information to be treated on a need-to-know basis.

I also note your advice that elected officials requiring contact with Downer should do so through the QTMP state representative or delegate, in line with appropriate contract management practices.

Again, thank you for raising this important matter with me and I look forward to the continued delivery of QTMP.

Yours sincerely

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