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# LTCCP Amendments - Rolling Stock Update

# 1. The key change

The changes that are mooted for the Annual Plan and LTCCP are the proposals for GW to become owner of new and refurbished passenger rail rolling stock and to raise \$95 million as the region's share of the cost of upgrading the rail network.

Submissions on these changes are welcome until Monday 11 April 2005.

# 2. New carriages for Wellington to Masterton Services

Tenders are now due on the 30th March at for new carriages. GW is allowing for the option of refurbished or new vehicles. The requirement is for 18 vehicles to make up three six-vehicle trains. The trains will have power operated doors, air conditioning and catering facilities.

GW intentions are to have a contract in place from July 2005, with the first train delivered 14 months after contract placement, and the last train 20 months after contract placement.

### 3. New Electric Multiple Unit trains

There are a number of issues that need to be considered in the purchase of new EMUs. The requirement is for 58 new EMUs to replace existing units and increase passenger capacity.

GW will develop a project procurement strategy over the next few weeks with the development of a specification for issue to industry later in the year. A key challenge is integrating the various parties in the 'rail industry'.

# 4. Recommendations

It is recommended that Ara Tahi:

*1. receive the report; and* 

2. note the contents.

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