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Blue Transport Solutions Pty Ltd - NHVAS Accreditation History and Statement

To Whom it may concern

On behalf of Creative Transport Services Pty Ltd (CTS) I make the following statement regarding the accreditation history and assessment of Blue Transport Solutions Pty Ltd.

**Basic Fatigue Management**

Due to contract requirements, CTS implemented a NHVAS Basic Fatigue Management (BFM) safety management system (SMS) for BFM accreditation in 2011 for the associated entities and combined management teams of Reach Crane Trucks Pty Ltd (Inclusive of RSB Services Pty Ltd). The accreditation was subjected to the required audits over a six-year period by various auditors and passed for renewal on each occasion. In 2017 BFM was deemed to be surplus to requirements by the operator with no drivers utilising the system in the previous two years. The Safety Management System was retained without the accreditation. Learnings, policies and procedures remain in place.

The fatigue requirements were reviewed by CTS in 2020 and it was agreed with the operator that BFM remained surplus to needs with driver hours remaining well below The NHVR Standard Hours regime.

**Maintenance Management**

NHVAS Maintenance was reassessed in June 2021 and deemed appropriate due to the size of the fleet and requirements of contracts. CTS implemented an NHVAS Maintenance Management SMS in June 2021 for RSB Services Pty Ltd (RSB Services Pty Ltd manages the maintenance of both entities: Blue Transport Solutions Pty Ltd & Reach Crane Trucks. Accreditation was granted in July 2021 and currently remains in force.

The operator has implemented an advanced Transport Management System that incorporates Maintenance & Mass compliance activities. The TMS is Gearbox, it is designed as a Compliance checking system for HVA Maintenance Accreditation and compliments the implemented accreditation system with built in maintenance reminders and real time daily vehicle checks via The Prestart Application.

**Mass Management**

In consultation with the Directors of each of the companies in 2011, 2017, 2021 and 2023, the needs of the business were re-assessed with the benefits of Concessional Mass Limits (CML) Accreditation. With the overwhelming number of loads being well below General Mass Limits (GML), CML was considered as no benefit to the business and not required.

The operator's compliance history speaks for itself with existing systems, policies and procedures demonstrating a culture of compliance throughout the business with strict and direct oversight by senior management.

**Ancillary**

The operator has implemented the Gearbox TMS as described above as well as comprehensive policies and procedures for Chain of Responsibility, Work Health & Safety & Telematics Systems.

### **Auditor Details**

Ross Smith (Exemplar Global Auditor #110228; NHVR Auditor #085 with Fatigue Scope, has held the position of Lead Heavy Vehicle Accreditation Auditor since April 2009 and has performed more than nine hundred HVA audits for fleets small and large, including private companies, Local Councils and State Government entities. Ross is the General Manager of LogChecker, a fatigue management application used by several thousand drivers throughout Australia. Ross is the principal advisor for all fatigue related enquiries by LogChecker's 10,000+ Users.

As Director of Creative Transport Services, Ross has been involved in the implementation and support of NHVAS/WAHVA heavy vehicle Maintenance, Mass & Fatigue systems to transport clients throughout Australia, including several Local and State Government authorities exceeding 850 accredited vehicles.

We thank you for the opportunity to submit this statement, should you require any further information to assist in your decision-making process, please do not hesitate to contact us at any time.

Regards,



Ross Smith  
Director  
Creative Transport Services P/L