DISALLOWABLE INSTRUMENT



WELLINGTON, NEW ZEALAND

PURSUANT to sections 152 and 155(a) of the Land Transport Act 1998, and after having had regard to the criteria specified in section 164(2) of that Act

I, Craig Foss, Associate Minister of Transport, make the following ordinary Rule:

Land Transport Rule: Passenger Service Vehicles Amendment 2016

SIGNED AT Wellington

This 5 day of Nov. 2016

Hon Craig Foss

Associate Minister of Transport

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Objective of the Rule

Land Transport Rule: Passenger Service Vehicles Amendment 2016 (the amendment Rule) amends Land Transport Rule: Passenger Service Vehicles 1999 (the Passenger Service Vehicles Rule). The Passenger Service Vehicles Rule specifies the legal requirements for the design and construction of all passenger service vehicles in New Zealand.

The objective of the amendment Rule is to update how the Rule refers to the qualifications of persons who conduct inspections of certain electrical equipment in vehicles, in line with the *Electricity Act* 1992.

Extent of consultation

For the purposes of consultation, amendments proposed to the Passenger Service Vehicles Rule and 14 other Land Transport Rules were combined into a single Rule, *Land Transport Rule: Omnibus Amendment 2016* (the Omnibus Amendment Rule). Following consultation, the provisions in the Omnibus Amendment Rule were split into separate amendment Rules.

The NZ Transport Agency sent details of the amendment proposals by letter or email to approximately 3170 groups and individuals who had registered an interest in the Rules to be amended. The Omnibus Amendment Rule was made available through the NZ Transport Agency's Contact Centre and, together with Questions and Answers, was also available on the NZ Transport Agency's website. The availability of the amendment proposals for comment was publicised in the daily newspapers in Auckland, Hamilton, Wellington, Christchurch and Dunedin and in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

The NZ Transport Agency received 35 submissions on the Omnibus Amendment Rule, of which 10

commented on the proposed amendment to the Passenger Service Vehicles Rule.

The submissions received were taken into account in finalising the draft Rule following which it was submitted to the Associate Minister of Transport for signing.

Section 1 Application

1.1 Title

This Rule is Land Transport Rule: Passenger Service Vehicles Amendment 2016.

1.2 Commencement

This Rule comes into force on 1 December 2016.

1.3 Principal Rule amended

This Rule amends Land Transport Rule: Passenger Service Vehicles 1999.

Section 2 Amendment to clause 6.5

2.1 Amendment to clause 6.5

Replace clause 6.5(2) with:

- 6.5(2) Inspections must be carried out by an electrician or electrical inspector registered under the *Electricity Act 1992* unless:
 - (a) the vehicle is a hybrid electric- or a battery- or a fuel cell- powered electric passenger service vehicle; and
 - (b) the inspector has been trained by the vehicle manufacturer or has an equivalent qualification for safely working with high voltage vehicles.