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## Committee Report Update: Train Illumination

I respond to the invitation to provide a submission to the update of the Committee's *Train Illumination* report.

For several years I have advocated in South Australia, interstate and nationally for greater illumination on locomotives and rolling stock; more specifically that locomotives should be fitted with a yellow flashing light at the front, ie on top, and that all locomotives, carriages and wagons display a reflective, luminescent strip on their sides.

Accordingly, I am most gratified to note Recommendation 1 in the Report Update: *Train Illumination* in which the Committee proposes that these two initiatives be adopted across all locomotives and rolling stock in the Australian rail industry.

I write to reiterate my previous suggestions and add force to your current Recommendation 1 as a means to improve rail/road safety for interstate trains.

Yours sincerely

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