

Dear Mr Forde

I am writing with regard to the commission of inquiry into the New Generation Rollingstock Trains.

While I have not been contacted directly by the commission about the opportunity to make a submission, I am available to attend interviews to assist with your investigation.

To the best of my recollection, an evaluation panel including representatives of Projects Queensland, TMR and Queensland Rail was established as part of the procurement. There was also a technical panel which again included representatives of TMR and QR.

These expert panels were established to ensure NGR trains met all current technical, functional and legislative requirements.

I do not recall possible non-compliance with relevant disability legislation and regulations being flagged or discussed by the evaluation panel, Projects Queensland head Dave Stewart or TMR Director-General Neil Scales with me or the then government.

Yours sincerely

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Former Minister for Transport and Main Roads