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NZPFU and Fire and Emergency NZ Joint Statement on MAN Type 3 appliances

The New Zealand Professional Firefighters Union (NZPFU) and Fire and Emergency New Zealand have been working together over the last year to resolve issues with the MAN Type 3 appliances. Fixes for all the issues have now been developed and successfully tested by firefighters. The NZPFU and Fire and Emergency New Zealand have therefore now agreed that roll out of all MAN Type 3 appliances can recommence with the fixes applied to each appliance, and training provided to the relevant crews, before the new MAN Type 3 appliances are introduced to operational service.

Background

On 11 August 2016 the NZPFU and NZFS issued a joint statement on the MAN Type 3 appliances agreeing a common goal of fixing all the outstanding issues with the appliances in order to deliver appliances that are fit for purpose, safe and reliable. We agreed that NZPFU President Peter Nicolle would join the national fleet and operations team full time to assist with resolving the issues and communicating with fire fighters, and that once fixes for the issues were developed, rigorous testing would take place to ensure the fixes work and the appliances are reliable. We also agreed that no more MAN Type 3s would be introduced into service until we've fixed the issues and tested they work.

Further information

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