CORPORATE ROAD SAFETY

A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO CUT THE ROAD TOLL

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WRSS - PROBLEM

• Work road crashes greatest proportion of serious injury / fatality

• in 2012 - 141 of 223 deaths vehicle related

• On average 4 out of 10 workers killed in a vehicle collision

• Most common mechanism of fatality in 2012 was a vehicle crash
WRRS - OPPORTUNITY

- Combined Governments largest purchaser of vehicles
- Good societal, business, legal and financial case for national action
- Fresh national approach - jurisdictions, industry and business
- Use WRRS for step change in public and business road toll
- Join forces – Road Safety and WHS work driving safety to make step change in public and business road toll

WRRS - STRUCTURAL ISSUES

Fragmented approach between States and Commonwealth:

- Legislation
- Regulatory Agencies
- OHS and Road Safety “separation” for work driving
- CTP
- Workers compensation
- WHS and separate modal specific “safety legislation”
CURRENT STATUS WRRS PRACTICE

– Hidden cost on business, organisations and individuals
– Fragmented regulations – data, vehicle type, licence
– OHS and Road Safety “separation” for work driving
– CTP
– Workers compensation

WRRS - Good Practice Initiatives

• **NTC** – National Road Safety Partnership Program
• **NHVR** – welcome but not in the brief
• **AfMA** – fleet safety motoring guide
• **Roche Australia** – integrated OHS system
• **Redland Shire Council** – integrated fleet safety management system
Way forward

• National MOU - road safety and WHS and Police
• National pan-Australia Code of Practice
• National Road Safety Strategy – Work Road Safety
• Joint initiative - fleets, insurers and suppliers

Joint Government action

• Oversight by relevant Ministerial Councils
• Develop national work driving safety strategy
• Link to National Road Safety Strategy
• Link to NTC National Road Safety Partnership Program
Combined regulatory action plan

• Links between WHS and Chain of responsibility
• Focus light and heavy vehicles on roads and work sites
• NHVR, light fleet regulators to link with OHS regulators for joint operations, policy, info sharing
• National occupational road – vehicle Code of Practice (see UK “Driving for work” Guide)

Combined regulatory action ctd

• Develop UK / USA electronic licence check capability

• Ensure Police agencies involved to optimise regulatory efficiency

• Implement national KPIs from the outset to measure progress
National WHS Code of Practice

- Guidance to WHS on driving for work
- Focus on safety management system (SMS)
- Access to licence data

WRRS - Summary

- Some good isolated initiatives
- Fragmented approach between States and Commonwealth
- Need NATIONAL WRRS ACTION
  - National Code of Practice
  - National licence check program
  - Integrated Regulatory initiatives
  - NTC program expansion
QUESTIONS?

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