

MEDIA STATEMENT

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UPDATE ON THE FINALISATION AND PUBLICATION OF THE NETWORK STATEMENT VER. 4.0 OF 2026

Following the Stakeholder Feedback Session on the Transnet Rail Infrastructure Manager (TRIM)'s draft Network Statement Version 4.0 (2026) held on 21 July 2026, a total of thirty-one (31) written submissions were received by the closing date of 24 July 2026. The submissions are substantive and require adequate time for thorough analysis. They are currently being considered as part of the process of finalising the Network Statement. Given the extensive nature of these comments, further engagements with critical stakeholders have also been necessary to ensure that the issues raised are appropriately considered and addressed.

The Department is aiming to finalise and publish the Network Statement before the end of September 2026. All stakeholders who participated in the consultation process and provided written submissions are appreciated as their contributions remain an important part of the process of finalising the Network Statement.

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