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Network Rail Safety Bulletin

Conductor Rail Test Lamp Set (CRTLS)

For the attention of ALL STAFF AND CONTRACTORS USING CONDUCTOR RAIL TEST LAMP SET ON THIRD RAIL ELECTRIFIED LINES

Background:

The use of the CRTLS, also known as the "Box of Eggs", is to be restricted as set out in this Safety Bulletin. This device is described in the table and photograph below.

PADS Cat. No.	Description	Part
040/007054		INFRA DRG NO SR/A1/16044 SR/A1/16044
040/060048	, , ,	INFRA DRG NO SR/A1/16044 SR/A1/16044
040/060049	, , ,	INFRA DRG NO SR/A1/16044 SR/A1/16044
040/017460		INFRA DRG NO SR/A4/10979 AMD 2 SR/A4/10979 AMD 2



Product acceptance of the CRTLS (Box of Eggs) for testing the presence of voltage on conductor rails was withdrawn on 11th December 2012. To allow a phased introduction of

appropriate alternatives such as the Seaward PH3 Live Line Testers. it has been agreed that the CRTLS (Box of Eggs) will be withdrawn nationally as from 31st January 2013.

It should be noted that as there is no alternative device currently available, this Safety Bulletin does not affect the current practice of using the CRTLS (Box of Eggs) to indicate the presence of voltage on short sections of conductor rail known as floaters provided that the CRTLS (Box of Eggs) is proved to operate correctly before being so used.

Immediate Action Required: All persons affected are required to note the following:

- 1. That there shall be a complete prohibition on the use of the CRTLS (Box of Eggs) for testing the presence of voltage on conductor rails as from 31 January 2013.
- 2. That only Product Approved devices, for example the Seaward PH3 Live Line Tester and its associated Proving Unit, may be used for testing the presence of voltage on conductor rails

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