



RECOMMENDATION FOR USE

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CO-ORDINATION BETWEEN NOTIFIED BODIES

DIRECTIVES 96/48/EC AND 2001/16/EC ON THE INTEROPERABILITY OF THE TRANS-EUROPEAN HIGH-SPEED AND CONVENTIONAL RAILWAY SYSTEMS

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TITLE

THE USE OF AN IC CERTIFIED USING AN EARLIER VERSION OF THE TSI SPECIFICATIONS ON A PROJECT TO BE CERTIFIED USING NEW VERSION OF THE TSI SPECIFICATIONS

ORIGINATOR

DELTA RAIL NOTIFIED BODY LIMITED (1127)

SUBJECT RELATED TO

Directives 96/48/EC, 2001/16/EC

DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND EXPLANATION

The certificate of conformity issued by a NoBo for an IC is valid for up to five years. During the certificate validity period, it is possible that some of the mandatory TSI specifications used in the conformity assessment would have been updated.

The question is: Can an IC that has been certified against an earlier version of the TSI mandatory specifications be used on a project contracted under a new version of these mandatory TSI specifications?

RFU PROPOSAL

The NoBo who is undertaking the verification of a subsystem is responsible to ensure that all ICs to be used on the subsystem are suitable for the application, therefore under such circumstances:

1. the manufacturer should be requested (via the Contracting Entity of the subsystem) to provide a delta analysis on the impact of using different versions of the mandatory TSI specifications.
2. based on this analysis, the NoBo responsible for the verification of the subsystem will assess the justification of the delta analysis and the impact and make a decision if the existing IC certificate is suitable for the project contracted under the new version of the mandatory TSI specifications. The NoBo decision will take into account if the certified IC still comply with the new mandatory TSI specifications or not and also if there is any impact of its integration with other ICs and assemblies. The results of the analysis and the decision shall be documented in the technical file.

DATE OF AGREEMENT AT NB RAIL PLENARY MEETING

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