

SAFETY ALERT

Rear Door of Linehaul truck strikes occupied TC Shelter



What happened?

- At 1.15am on Friday 22-06-2018 a Line Haul truck was travelling south along SH1 at Ohau Point hauling a portacom. . Unknown to the driver, it appears the door of the portacom building being transported had swung open and made contact with a Traffic Control Shelter with the Manual Traffic Controller inside.

Why did it happen?

- Likely poor load and door security on the truck
- The door was 1.5m wide, the TC hut was 0.5m from the road
- The door swung and hit the hut, throwing the TC out onto the road, as the truck had passed
- The truck driver was unaware the incident had occurred until stopped later

Actions required

- All drivers are to ensure their loads are secure and unable to fall/ move
- Consider placement of TC huts to roads and live lanes
- Consider ability of TC to escape away from Traffic
- Consider remotely activated traffic lights if difficult to automate
- Safety alert bulletin on the traffic risk factors and unsecure loads on trucks.
- Safety alert to trucking company traveling through road work infrastructure rebuild areas.

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Discuss at next available pre-start meeting / post on notice boards (valid for 3 months)