



RAIL INDUSTRY SAFETY AND STANDARDS BOARD

ABN: 58 105 001 465

## Independent Director Rail Industry Safety and Standards Board Limited

Rail Industry Safety and Standards Board (RISSB) is the Australian Rail Industry's Standards Development Organisation. It is a Corporations Act company limited by guarantee and is fully owned by funding organisations who are its Members. It has been in operation since 2003.

RISSB works to harmonise rail operations in Australia – that is to improve safety, efficiency and competitiveness through standardisation and industry collaboration. A key role in this is developing a suite of codes, standards, rules and guidelines for the railway industry and other products that contribute to innovation and risk management.

RISSB is funded and resourced by the Rail Industry and the Governments of Australia.

### RISSB Board

The RISSB Board comprises an Independent Chair, up to two Independent Directors and four Industry Directors one each representing a segment of the rail industry – Network Managers/Owners, Freight Operators, Passenger Operators and Rail Suppliers and Contractors.

The Board meets quarterly and occasionally otherwise as required with meetings rotated between the different capital cities in Australia and occasionally New Zealand.

### Independent Director Role

RISSB is seeking to appoint an Independent Director with a range of attributes with particular expertise in accounting and finance. These attributes include but are not limited to:

- **Director Experience:** Experience as an Independent or Non Executive Director in a similar environment or industry with demonstrated knowledge and understanding of the role of a Director as well as the legal, ethical, fiduciary and financial responsibilities.
- **Accounting and Finance:** In-depth understanding and experience in financial management and accounting.
- **Strategic Expertise:** Demonstrated ability to review strategy through constructive questioning and contribute to effective decision making by the Board.
- **Rail and/or Logistics Industry Experience:** Knowledge or experience in the Rail and/or Logistics Industry and experience in management at an executive level.
- **Risk Management:** Proven experience in managing risk and understanding the impact of risk on business operations.

- **Corporate Governance:** A thorough understanding and acceptance of the principles of good corporate governance in the context of a member based not for profit organisation.
- **Managing People and Implementing Change:** Relevant experience in managing people and implementing change together with an understanding of stakeholder engagement.
- **Technology:** A sound understanding of technology and emerging trends and implications for the rail industry.
- **Innovation:** Demonstrated track record in fostering, promoting and supporting innovation within organizations.

Experience and expertise in standards development or safety policy and management is preferable but not essential.

Copies of the Position Description may be obtained by emailing the RISSB Company Secretary, Kirk Alber at: [kalber@rissb.com.au](mailto:kalber@rissb.com.au)

### **Applications**

Closing date for Applications: Friday 23 February 2018.

Applications to be addressed to the Chair C/- [kalber@rissb.com.au](mailto:kalber@rissb.com.au)