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Goods General Committee embraces young members

The Victorian Transport Association (VTA) "engine room", the Goods General Committee, has appointed several new young executives, including a new Vice Chairman, in an effort to further develop a new generation of industry representation.

CRT Group young executive Cameron Dunn agreed to act as the Committee's Vice Chairman with Patrick Ports Services' Richard Bond.

The Committee also sees Hoffmann & Co's, Adam Arkinstall and Gaffney Logistics' General Manager, Damien Gaffney join young executives such as E Murphy & Son's Angela Murphy.

The recruitment of younger freight and logistics faces is vital to the continued development and productive nature of the Association, VTA Executive Director Philip Lovel said. Also, with Neil Chambers coming on board with the VTA as Director of Industry Services, and having a role in running the Goods General Committee, the group is set to enhance its dynamism and relevance in representing the industry's views.

The Goods General Committee represents a wide spectrum of freight and logistics members of the VTA, covering the transport, distribution and warehousing of goods via road, rail, sea and air.

The full committee consists of:

- Border Express – Peter Anderson;
- Butler Freight Services – Don Parsons;
- Chalmers Industries – Richard Gooden;
- Coyne's Transport Services – Kevin Coyne;
- CRT Group – Cameron Dunn;
- E. Murphy and Sons – Angela Murphy;
- FBT Operations – Trevor Martyn;
- Freestones Transport – Paul Freestone;
- Gaffney Logistics – Damien Gaffney;
- Glenn Cameron Nominees – Glenn Rohan;
- Hoffman and Co – Adam Arkinstall;
- L. Arthur – Lou Arthur;
- Patrick Port Services – Richard Bond;
- P&O Trans Australia – David Muir;
- Secon Carriers – Terry Considine; and
- Transwest Haulage – John Beaton.

The Committee has been instrumental in ensuring that the industry is represented on important issues, ranging from stevedore relations to vital road and rail links to the port and elsewhere in Victoria's transport network.

The committee is playing a major role in deciding what position the VTA will take on the Transport Workers Union (TWU) occupational health and safety BLUECARD, and is also addressing current issues such as container demurrage, interstate E-tag issues, uptake of relevant technologies, carrier liability insurance, superannuation, industrial relations, fatigue legislation and enforcement issues.

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