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NZ Heavy Haulage Association Media Statement

Road Design Specifications Released by Oversize Group

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A guideline to assist roading designers to ensure that new roading projects are suitable to cater for the majority of large freight items transported on NZ's roads has been released.

The NZ Heavy Haulage Association's chairman, Paul Britton said that the Specification released is in fact the sixth version of the guideline released since the first edition developed over 10 years ago.

"As an industry we are constantly coming across new types of roading designs that we need to provide detailed information about so that they are suitable for the transport of wide, high, long and heavy goods", Paul said.

"The latest version contains more detailed information about the detailed design that the Association expects for roundabouts, particularly on State Highways as well as guidance about urban roundabouts that are on overdimension routes".

The Chief Executive of the Association, Jonathan Bhana-Thomson stated that the Design Specification has become a regularly referenced document by those that are designing new roading projects. "Some engineers have told us that when designing their project that they have consulted the Design Specification at an early stage to ensure that there will not be any design complications at a later stage".

"The Specification has information relating to a large number of different roading designs, such as wire rope barriers, pedestrian islands, roundabouts, threshold signs, as well as guidance about maintenance works", Jonathan went on to say.

The Association also welcomes direct queries about the design of any roading projects to ensure that they will comply with the Specifications, as local conditions will often mean that there are specific issues that may need to be discussed and resolved.

The Design Specification is available to download from the Association's website: www.hha.org.nz

It is also available on request from the Association: info@hha.org.nz

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