

650KM OF OVERHEAD LINE RENEWAL

- 53 SRS road rail vehicles used
- 400 mile work site
- On board pantograph to check wire position
- In use 7 hours a night 5-6 nights a week



Renewal of overhead line infrastructure on 650km of the west coast main line.

53 SRS road rail trucks were purchased for this task. Their performance is best described by the Joint Venture Project Director, John Osborne. As this major project neared its end in 2005, he wrote:

“Road rail vehicles converted from standard trucks provided a versatile and effective means of servicing a work site 400 miles long. The man basket allows work teams to adjust overhead lines in perfect safety, using the on board pantograph as necessary for checking wire position. Created to the project’s own bespoke requirements, some 53 are in use on an average of seven hours a night, five or six nights a week”

And: “Their ability to work in awkward and otherwise inaccessible locations has been invaluable and some 53 of these priceless machines are in use. Reliability is also excellent: the vehicles are in use seven hours a night, five or six nights a week (actually on site and driving to and from site) and have performed 368,000 hours since the project started”

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