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Rescue Service Dala Mitt's response to the Swedish Accident Investigation Authority's final report RJ 2019:02 Derailment of train 5678 in Ludvika, Dalarna County on 12 October 2017

According to the final report, Rescue Service Dala Mitt is recommended, in cooperation with the Swedish Transport Administration, to do the following:

- *Take action to strengthen its ability to quickly isolate and earth catenary lines in railway areas within its area of operation (section 3.5.2). (RJ 2019:02 R8)*

Rescue Service Dala Mitt currently has three full-time stations equipped with earthing equipment on its fire engines. The staff is trained through the Swedish Fire Protection Association's programme. Based on the available resources and expertise, the rescue service has the ability to earth and isolate single tracks, and a maximum of 3 tracks if and when all resources are on site.

Work with earthing and isolating a larger railway yard in the event of a major accident requires more knowledge, experience and resources than what the rescue service has access to.

Following dialogue with the Swedish Transport Administration, it emerged that the Administration does not have its own stores with earthing equipment at the railway yards. The Swedish Transport Administration currently has a subcontractor with applicable equipment and preparedness to carry out earthing of the facilities. We have been informed that their response time is 120 minutes.

Rescue Service Dala Mitt considers there to be a need for the Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency (MSB) to develop guidelines for municipal rescue services and for the Swedish Transport Administration as support in designing local solutions and procedures.

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