

Swedish Transport Agency

SHK's final assessment of response from Swedish Transport Agency

The 9 September 2017 the Swedish Accident Investigation Authority (Statens haverikommission – SHK) published the final report RJ 2017:03 about an accident where two trains collided with each other on the line Piteå-Arnemark. In the report a safety recommendation was issued to the Swedish Transport Agency. SHK recommended the Transport Agency to:

“Within the framework of the agency’s supervisory efforts review how the Swedish Transport Administration through its safety management system, handles the findings highlighted in this report regarding the understanding of, education in, functionality of and follow up on the planning and documentation system STEG and its relation to other traffic control tools (electronic systems and paper forms). (RJ 2017:03 R2).”

The Transport Agency responded to the recommendation and stated that it will be included in the Agency’s supervisory bank to be subsequently prioritized and coordinated with other supervisory activities in 2018 against the Swedish Transport Administration and possibly other infrastructure managers.

SHK considered that the recommendation only partly had been taken care of since it was not clear from the response if the Transport Agency had considered the recommendation in substance, if any measures were to be taken, and in that case, which measures.

The Transport Agency has subsequently submitted additional information about the measures taken.

SHK consider the additional information from the Transport Agency to be such that the recommendation has to be considered to have been taken care of. (Closed – adequate response)


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