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Rail investment welcome but more needed

The CTU has welcomed the announcement today of ongoing investment in rail. It is however only a fraction of what is needed.

Peter Conway, CTU Secretary, said: "The signal of government commitment to improve and retain the network is positive."

In another recent development, the CTU is also pleased to note that the Expression of Interest document for the Auckland Electric Multiple Units includes strong wording to support participation by local industry including the existing rail workshops.

"The main thing now is to ensure that these commitments on paper translate into actual jobs and local industry participation in part of this major tender."

Peter Conway said that the CTU congratulates the Rail and Maritime Transport Union for their strong advocacy for New Zealand content and also acknowledges the support of local government, business leaders and members of Parliament.

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