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GOOD START FOR NEW TRAIN AND BUS TIMETABLES

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NSW Minister for Transport David Campbell today welcomed a good start for the first morning peak period under new train and bus timetables.

Mr Campbell said while it was still early going, he was pleased with the **99.6% On Time Running** for CityRail services in the AM peak period.

“The new timetable has started positively and I would like to thank CityRail staff and our State Transit and private bus workers, and ask them to keep up the good work,” Mr Campbell said.

“There is a long way to go yet – but so far our extensive preparations ahead of the new timetable are proving their worth.

“Today we see more than 8,000 additional seats added to the rail peak hour (morning and afternoon).

“I anticipate that our frontline transport workers will be putting in extra effort to ensure that commuters have a seamless change to the new timetable.”

Mr Campbell today visited the Rail Management Centre following the morning peak period to get a rundown on how the trains and buses went in their first test under the new timetable.

“Arrival, departure and connection times for trains and buses are changing so this is no easy task,” Mr Campbell said.

“Teams of transport staff have been handing out timetable materials at transport interchanges across the CityRail network preparing commuters for these changes.

“More information about the new train and bus timetables is available at www.131500.com.au or you can call 131500, or visit the CityRail website at www.cityrail.info.”

Information packs have been sent out to schools, commuter groups, hospitals, local Councils and disability groups outlining the key changes.

Editor’s Note: Material is available for suburban press to upload to their website or link to the timetable information.

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