



Third Party Services

Rail Corridor Application Process Updates

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What's Changing

Arc Infrastructure will be introducing a fee for service for Third Party Service applications within the Rail Corridor. All applications for Third Party Services will attract an application fee. The fee which is a minimal charge will cover the administrative costs to Arc Infrastructure in processing Third Party Service applications. These fees will be recovered via a monthly invoicing process.

In addition to the introduction of an application fee, Arc will be introducing some changes to the process which will give Third Party Service owners visibility of their applications. Each service provider will be issued with a link to an online reporting system which will track the status of applications made to Arc Infrastructure. This system will allow status tracking across the design review, rail safety management review and project delivery phases of each application.

Why the Change

Application fees are being introduced to reflect the resources Arc is required to allocate to the processing of 3rd Party Service applications. To provide an improved application platform, Arc is seeking to leverage technology solutions to automate parts of this process, streamlining the process and adding transparency to benefit service owners.

Schedule of Fees

Application Type	Description	Fee (exc. GST)
Non-intrusive	Topographic surveys, Visual inspections & low impact fibre optic cable installation through existing 3 rd party duct & pit network	\$350
Intrusive Survey/Geotech	Geotechnical surveys, i.e. test pits, bore holes, monitoring wells	\$800
Overhead/Pole Installation	Pole replacement within Rail Corridor, installation of low/high voltage power lines (90 degrees to track)	\$800
Underbore	Installation of directionally drilled/micro tunnelled pipe less than 300mm in diameter	\$800
Non-standard Installation	Major installations, underbore in excess of 300mm in diameter, non-service installation i.e. chemicals, caustics, parallel installations	\$3000

These fees have been peer/industry tested and are comparable to other rail managers within the country. Expired approvals will require a new application to be submitted and will attract an application fee.

Timing

During November and December of 2018, Arc Infrastructure will be meeting with the Third Party Service owners who frequently submit applications to install services within the Rail Corridor to run through these changes.

From 1st January 2019, all Third Party Service applications will attract an application fee.

Future Developments

Arc Infrastructure will be introducing an online application system for Third Party Service applications in the future. This online system will be replace the existing application process, moving the entire process online to simplify applications. Applications will be made via an online form system with the ability to attach all relevant supporting documentation. Supplementary documentation such as Rail Safety Management Plans and signed Technical Conditions will be uploaded via this system. The system will allow for the tracking of all applications from start to finish of the process. Further information will be provided at this stage.

Further Information

For further information on these changes to the Third Party Service Application Process please email thirdparty.services@arcinfra.com