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MEDIA STATEMENT

Airport Link workers met again this morning to receive an update on safety audits conducted yesterday and the progress of discussions between Thiess John Holland and the unions.

Yesterday's audits were led by Workplace Health and Safety Queensland and included union, workforce and company representatives.

The joint audits identified some housekeeping items in the tunnels and at the Toombul site such as cable placement and testing and tagging of electrical equipment. These items will be tidied up by workers today while further joint audits are completed on the surface at Kedron and Bowen Hills and in the Northern Busway tunnels.

No serious safety issues were identified by the joint audit teams.

Other issues discussed between the company and unions included the management of RDOs and re-communicating the company's flexible policy of workers having access to up to one RDO per month and the management of average monthly work hours within different work groups.

Further discussions will continue today between the company and unions.

As a mark of respect, all project employees will gather together at each site to observe a minute's silence while at work on Thursday.

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