# STATE COMMISSION ON RAILWAY ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION Ministry of the Interior and Administration

# PROVISIONAL REPORT No PKBWK 03/T1/2024

proceedings in the case of a serious railway accident
occurred on 03/12/2023 at 10:06 at the Jaszczów station
on the run No. 1 built in track 1, in km 201,000 of railway line No. 7
Warszawa Wschodnia Osobowa - Dorohusk,
Polandthe area of the infrastructure manager PKP PLK S.A. Railway Lines Plant in Lublin

WARSAW, 03.12.2024

Pursuant to Article 28f(3) of the Rail Transport Act of 28 March 2003, the proceedings conducted by the Commission do not determine guilt or liability

## 1. Preliminary remarks

The interim report is prepared on the basis of Art. 5a of the Act of 28 March 2003. on rail transport (Journal of Laws 2024, item 697), as stated in the following:

'If it is not possible to publish the Report on the proceedings within 12 months of the date of the event. The Commission shall publish interim reports on the proceedings at the latest on each subsequent anniversary of the occurrence of the event, until the date of publication of the report on the proceedings.'

### 2. Brief description of the event

The incident took place at the Jaszczów station.

Serious accident involving the fatal hitting of two staff members snow clearing a turnout.

During the entry of train ROM 22401 of the railway carrier POLREGIO S.A. between Lublin Główny and Zamość Szopinek from the route No. 1 of the Minkowice - Jaszczów route to the first track of the Jaszczów station, two employees of PKP PLK S.A. Railway Line Plant in Lublin Operation Section in Lublin were hit. These workers worked on snow clearing turnout 1 on track 1, using an internal combustion blower.

3. Type of event: a serious accident.

**4. Date of event:** 03/12/2023 at 10:06.

#### 5. Location of the incident

Railway line No. 7 Warszawa Wschodnia Osobowa - Dorohusk, turnout No. 1 in track 1 at the Jaszczów station at km 201,000; geographical position 51°12′23.4″N 22°54¹02.9″E.

#### 6. Effects of the event

One person died on the spot, the other in serious condition was taken to the hospital where he died as a result of his injuries.

## 7. Causal factor (preliminary)

Unsupervised snow removal of turnout No 1 by two workers, one using an internal combustion knapsack blower and the other using a broom, during the entry of train ROM 22401, which led to the railway vehicle overrunning those workers.

## 8. Stage of the procedure

The proceedings are currently in the process of re-examining the facts, collecting additional material, analysing and developing recommendations for improving safety resulting from the comments made on the draft report by the persons and entities concerned.

The procedure is at the stage of clarifying the contributing factors, systemic factors and recommendations.

Additional re-analysis of the materials is necessary for the final development of the research team's position due to the nature of the event, its seriousness and the submitted opinions to the draft report.

Following the examination of the comments submitted, a further draft procedural report will be submitted for reexamination by the persons and entities concerned. The findings of the Research Team may be changed at any stage of this procedure, and this interim report is not subject to comments.

# 9. Security issues identified

The identified safety issues currently focus on the areas of organisation of the work related to the "Winter Action" and the risk assessment of the use of equipment used in the "Winter Action".

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THE PRESIDENT /

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