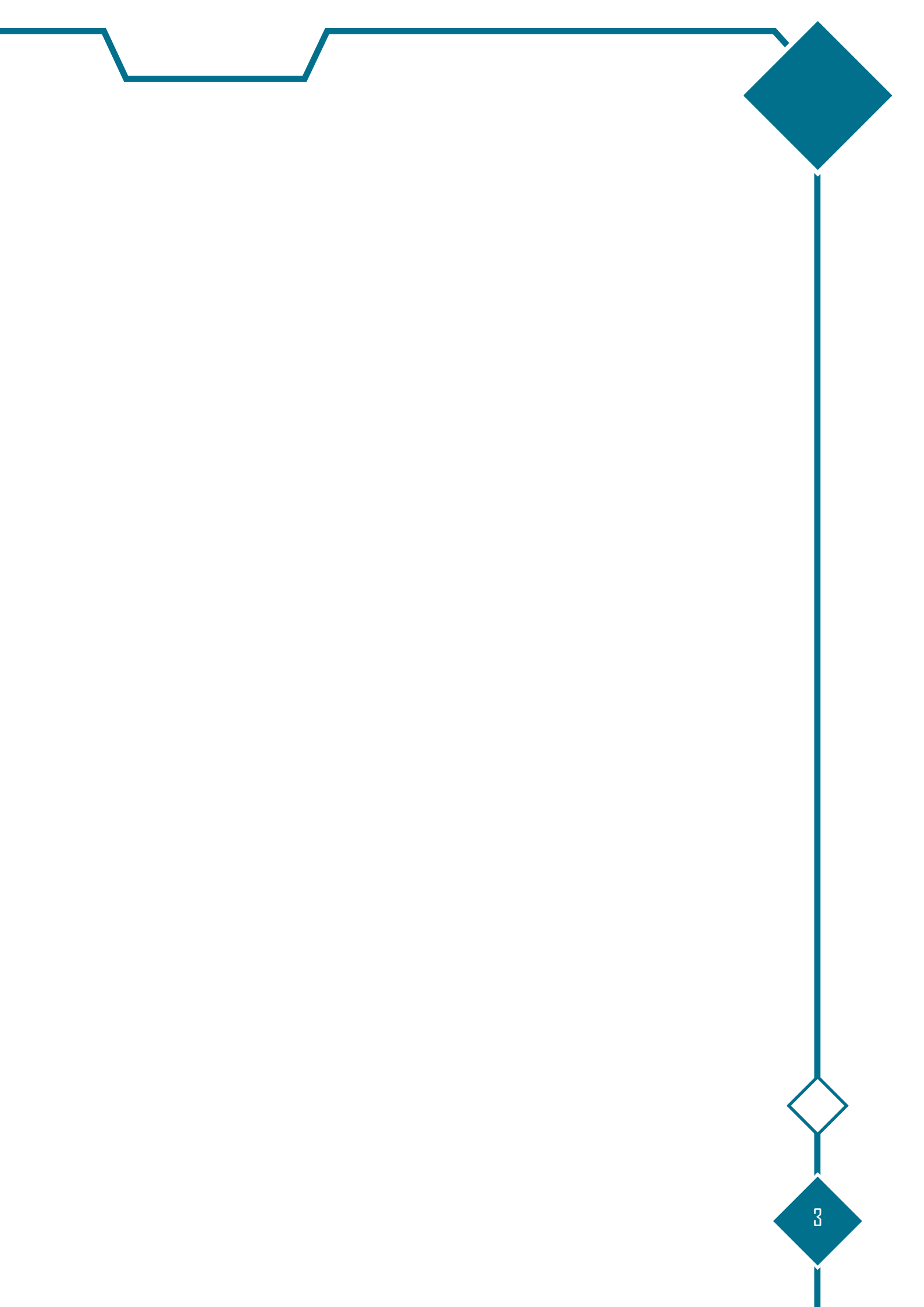


Bulletin of General Information
Derailment of a freight train
Bressoux
29 August 2022

REPORT VERSION TABLE

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Nature of the event:

Derailment of a wagon of a freight train.

Type of event and safety investigation:

Derailment on the main line.

The investigation is on-going.

Date and time of the event:

Monday 29 August 2022 around 1:00 am.

Place of the event:

Line 40 – track A in Bressoux, between kilometre markers 0.716 and 3.316.

Trains:

Train Z40653 (Zeebrugge-Bundel-Zwankendamme – Oradea) of railway undertaking Railtraxx is composed of:

- 1 diesel locomotive
- 20 wagons

Victims:

There are no victims.

Damages and consequences:

- Damages to rolling stock (2 damaged wagons)
- Damages to infrastructure (sleepers, Pandrol clip, beacons, switch)
- Single-track service on track B of line 40

FACTS

On 28 August, at around 11:15 pm, the freight train Z40653 of the railway undertaking Railtraxx departs from the fan of sidings Muizen-Goederen.

Shortly before 1:00 am, the train runs on track A of line 40 and enters the Froidmont tunnel.

Approximately 20 metres from the tunnel entrance, the 7th wagon of the train (3-axle wagon No 338549610818 carrying 2 containers) derails from the first 2 axles.

The train continues its journey towards Bressoux.

Approximately 2 kilometres after the Froidmont tunnel, the train runs over a switch: the first part of the train up to the 6th wagon continues its journey, while the second part of the train (from the derailed wagon onwards) moves to another track. The 2 parts of the train separate and the brake pipe breaks, causing the 2 parts of the train to stop.

INVESTIGATION

An investigator of the Investigation Unit goes to the scene of the accident to make initial findings.

The investigation is ongoing to determine the contributing, organisational and systemic factors that led to the accident.



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