

HOW LONG TIL SOMEONE DIES?

MANAGEMENT IGNORES CONCERNS OVER 'SENSITIVE EDGE'

Victoria line drivers now face a new risk in the form of the sensitive edge technology used on the new 09 stock. Concerns about sensitive edge have been raised by your RMT reps with the company, but to no avail. Our reps have made the following representations to management on your behalf:

- **There are already 100 sensitive edge incidents a week on the line, all holding the possibility of death or injury if not dealt with correctly – this could rise to 800 by the time the final 09 train goes live**
- We asked if the system could be adjusted so that a door with a sensitive edge indication could be isolated so that the cut-out button would not prevent a further sensitive edge indication on another door. ***This was ruled out by management***
- **We rejected management's plan to bring in a rule forcing drivers to keep their finger on the cut-out switch in order to depart a station if a sensitive edge is indicated**
- Further proposals were put to management aimed at protecting public safety and the jobs of train operators, ***all of which were rejected by the company.***

It is clear that the company is more interested in saving money by minimising

delays than in safety. The company's plan to make you depart a station by cutting out what is actually an important piece of safety equipment is reckless and puts both passenger safety and your job at risk.

Wrong Side Door Openings

Remember the issue of the company's refusal to install Correct Side Door Enable to 67 stock? This continues to put drivers on the Victoria line at greater risk of opening on the wrong side and has resulted in drivers, including Carl Campbell (pictured), losing their jobs. Sensitive edge has the potential to do the same



Sacked - Carl Campbell

Ballot

As a result of the company's failure to listen to our safety concerns, we are left with no choice

but to begin a ballot for action short of a strike on the issue. If voted for, the action will consist of a refusal to apply the company's instruction to cut out sensitive edge and, instead, to go back and check the doors concerned before leaving a station. With management currently losing no opportunity to sack drivers across the combine for mistakes, it is in your interests to **VOTE YES**. Keep safe – keep your job!

