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CN5674 & CN2642 on train number #372 at Oshawa Ontario on July 3rd five tarped BHPBio SD70MACe on way to Montreal for loading on Jumbo Challenger for export to Port Hedland. Photo Thomas Blampied

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Final nine SD70MACe locomotives of the 18 locomotive order for BHP Billiton Iron Ore #4365 through #4373 have been completed by Electro-Motive Company Canada in London Ontario. Five locomotives under green tarps GMDX2003 [#4369], GMD X2002 [#4368], GMDX2001 [#4367], GMDX1010 [#4366] and GMDX1009 [#4365] were tarped behind the locomotives on train #M37231 on July 3rd. The final four locomotives #4370, #4371, #4372 and #4373 tarped went through MacMillan Yard Toronto on train number #M37231 to Montreal behind CN5705 & IC1026 on 4th. Locomotives were loaded onto heavy lift ship MV Jumbo Challenger at the Port of Montreal from July 6th to 11th with ship then sailing for Port Hedland.

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SCT014 alone ran 1PM9 SCT vans with 30 QR National intermodal wagons departing Forrestfield for Adelaide on July 4th. SCT008 the second locomotive on 5MP9 eastbound service was detached at Hines Hill with traction motor problems. SCT008 was attached ahead of SCT001 & SCT013 at Hines Hill by 3PG1 following repair to SCT008 to enable it to run.





GMDX1009, GMDX1010, GMDX2001, GMDX2002 and GMDX2003 BHPBIO SD70MACe locomotives under tarps for export at Oshawa Ontario on July 3rd

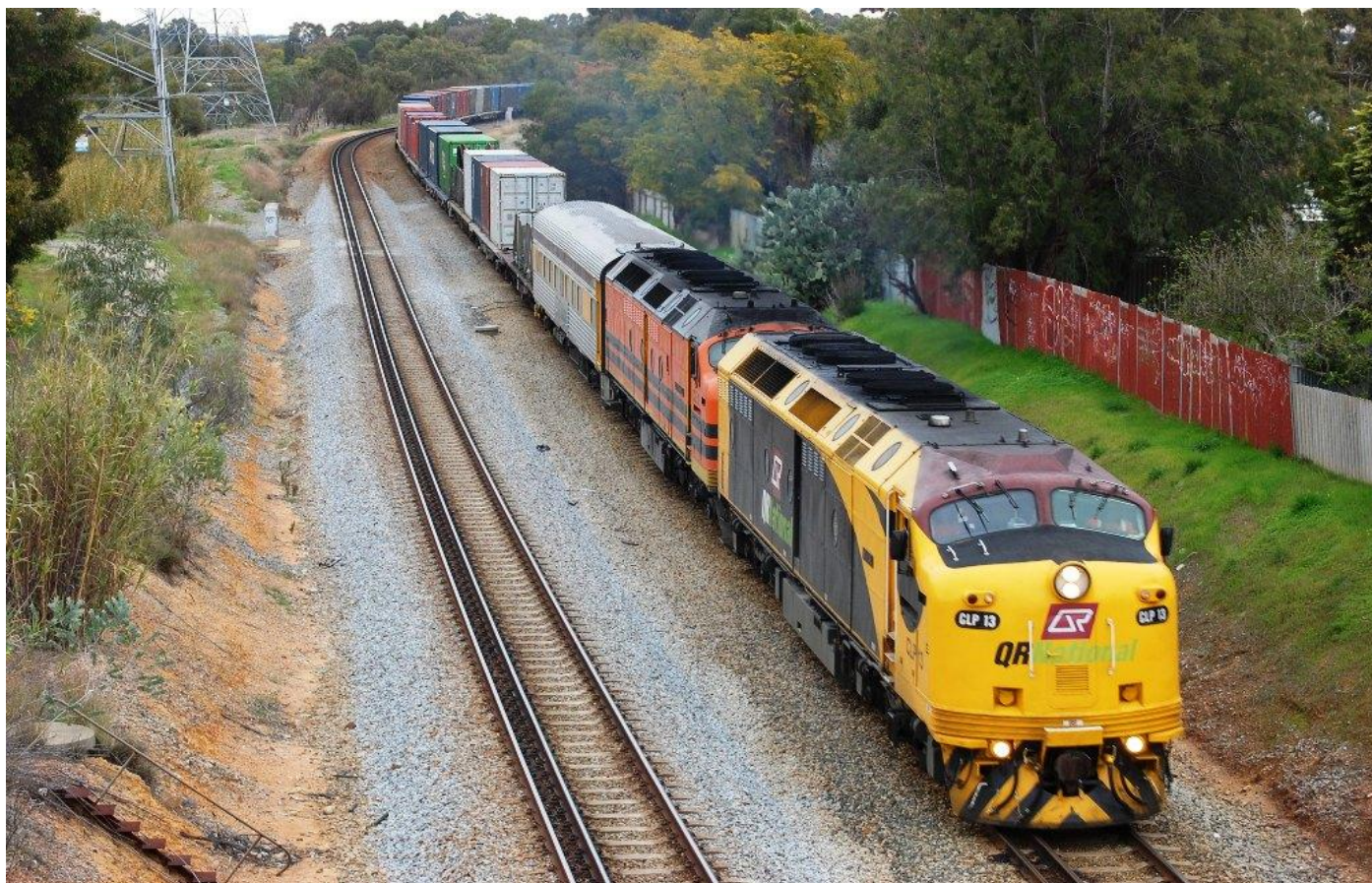
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Side on view of GMDX2002 [BHPBIO #4368] at Oshawa Ontario July 3rd .

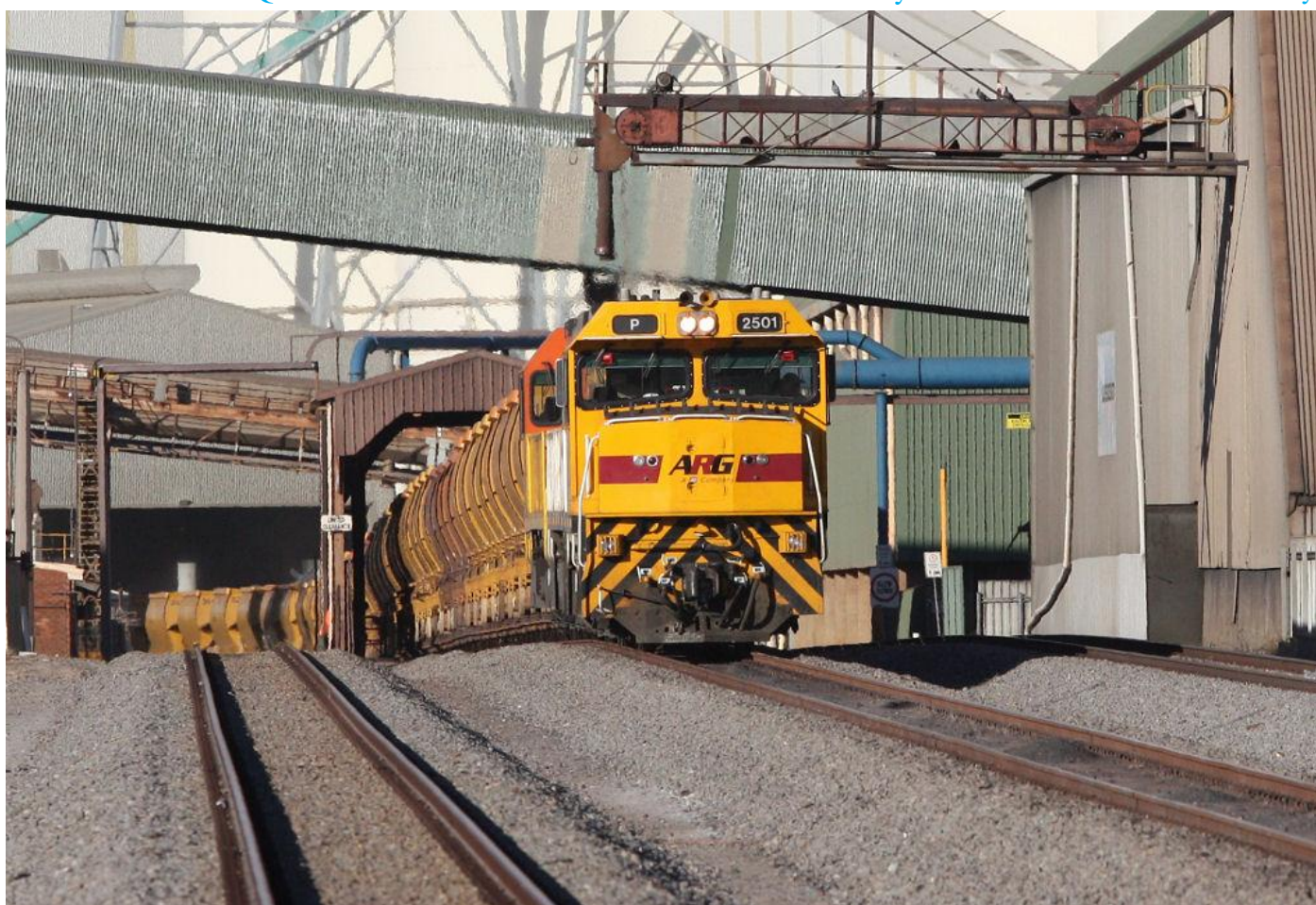
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CLP13 & CLF1 run QR National intermodal 6PM1 at Greenmount on July 2nd.

Photo Brendan Cherry



P2501 & P2516 unloading an iron ore train at Port of Geraldton on July 3rd.

Photo Phil Melling





DBZ2306 & DAZ1902 on combined lime and empty coal train at Wellard July 4th. Photo Brendan Cherry



DFZ2407 & DFZ2405 on empty iron ore train to Ruvidini near Grants on July 3rd. Photo Phil Melling





DFZ2406 & P2517 on empty grain to Mingenew at Bootenal on July 3rd.

Photo Phil Melling



DFZ2310 & DAZ1905 on 1556 export coal train of QR wagons at Oakford July 4th. Photo Brendan Cherry



MV Jumbo Fairlift with nine BHPBIO SD70MACe locomotives on board was about 18 degrees south 4 degrees east in South Atlantic Ocean off the West African coast on July 10th.

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ZB2125 and ZB2129 that have not seen much use recently ran to Gemco Forrestfield for workshop attention on July 5th returning to SSRS/Gemco yard Bellevue on 8th.

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LDP003 & CLP13 on 6PM1 QRN intermodal in dark overcast Herne Hill on July 9th. Photo Simon Barber

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Both the original blue and white liveried LDP locomotives and later yellow and black liveried LDP units have worked and led QR National MP1 services into and PM1 services out of Forrestfield over last few weeks.

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The final mineral sands train to Eneabba from Narngulu ran on June 19th this traffic has slowly diminished over past year or so as the sand was slowly mined out. The heavily laid line joins Picton Manjimup line as lines mothballed owing to lack of traffic.

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