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New Rio Tinto 9100 class General Electric ES44ACi locomotive 9105, first AC units to be obtained by Rio Tinto, undergoing commissioning at 8 Mile Yard Karratha on February 12th.

Photo Gary Lamb

Final three Rio Tinto ES44DCi 8197 thru 8199 and first AC locomotives for use on Rio Tinto operations ES44ACi arrived from General Electric in Erie PA at Dampier at the start of the month. A number of Mt Walton ore trains failed early in the month that saw disruption to operations. Prospector railcar set saw use on Avonlink services while Avonlink car WEB032 had engine overhaul. DBZ2302 was stored about 8th of the month that then saw only DBZ2305, DBZ2309, DBZ2311 and DBZ2313 remaining in service. Kalgoorlie Loco Depot was closed on February 9th, that saw the closure of the final steam era loco depot, originally narrow gauge and built before turn of the 20th Century, it had been upgraded over the years, to both narrow and standard gauge and finally a standard gauge depot. Trip service and refueling will now take place at West Kalgoorlie. Further 12 SD70ACes 4438 thru 4439 arrived for BHPBIO on February 21st.



LZ3106 & LZ3103 on 1032 ore Forrest field to AIS Kwinana February 3rd at Kenwick. Photo Simon Barber



6023, 6007 & 6008 on 5MP1 Aurizon intermodal entering Brookfield Rails line on 9/2. Photo Peter Donaghy



ES44ACi 9101 undergoing commissioning at 8 Mile 12/02, note massive radiators.

Photo Gary Lamb



Q4018 & dead Q4018 on 5474 combined salt and iron ore at Midland at dusk 6/2.

Photo Jim Bisdee



ACC6032 on 2158 Kwinana shunter at Kenwick with four empty Caltex tankers 3/2. Photo Simon Barber



DBZ2305 on empty Soundcem coal train at Shotts [east of Collie] on 11/02. Photo Phil Melling



S3304 & DBZ2313 on lime to Worsley Alumina on Hamilton line 11/2.

Photo Phil Melling



NR44 & NR90 on 6PN2 2xpack Mineral Resources wagon to unload AIS at Thornlie 7/2.

Photo Jim Bisdee



SCT015 & SCT001 on late 3PM9 rare daylight departure at South Guildford 11/2.

Photo Jim Bisdee



DBZ2309 & DBZ2311 on Worsley Alumina caustic tankers at Brunswick 15/2.

Photo Brian Cherry



New BHPBio SD70ACe 4443, 4445, 4442 & 4441 at hard stand Nelson Point 22/2. Photo Toad Montgomery



Q4018 & AC4301 on 1030 ore at Midland February 2nd.

Photo Simon Barber



DAZ1901 on 6133 empty ballast train at Wattle Grove on February 28th.

Photo Brendan Cherry



Q4015 on 6030 ore train to AIS Kwinana at Wattle Grove February 28th.

Photo Brendan Cherry



DBZ2305 on 6253 empty coal at Hope Valley February 28th.

Photo Brendan Cherry



Q4015 on ore train passing work site re-sleeping up main at Wattle Grove 21/2.

Photo Jim Bisdee



New SD70ACe 4434 with 4415 & 4404 at CD1 dumper Nelson Point early am 4/2. Photo Toad Montgomery



DBZ2313 on lime train Brunswick February 15th.

Photo Brian Cherry



DBZ2309 & DBZ2311 on 1856 caustic tankers to Worsley at Beela February 16th.

Photo Simon Barber



CBH007 & CBH008 on empty grain at Narngulu East February 16th.

Photo Phil Melling



ACN4143 on 1813 empty Worsley alumina at Roelands on February 16th.

Photo Simon Barber



P2505 on 5337 caustic tankers to Alcoa Calcine Pinjarra at Keysbrook 13/2.

Photo Jim Bisdee



P2516 & P2509 on loaded ore Moonyoonooka February 16th.

Photo Phil Melling



DBZ2313 & P2505 on 1271 lime to Hamilton at Beela February 16th.

Photo Simon Barber



P2517 on 5233 empty alumina to Alcoa Calcine Pinjarra at Keysbrook February 13th.

Photo Jim Bisdee



TM731 ballast regulator running thru Narngulu West on February 16th.

Photo Stewart Whiteaker



Q4015 & ACA6012 on 7025 Kalgoorlie freight at Herne Hill February 1st.

Photo Brendan Cherry



Q4009 on 7034 ore to AIS Kwinana to dump at Jandakot February 22nd.

Photo Brendan Cherry



LZ3112 & L3115 on 7141 container train at Kenwick February 22nd.

Photo Brendan Cherry



TM735 John Holland tamper at Narngulu West February 18th.

Photo Stewart Whiteaker



Q4015, L3110 & [dead] Q4001 on 4030 ore at Midland on February 5th.

Photo Brendan Cherry



2210 on 7CO1 AK car inspection train at Woodbridge on February 15th.

Photo Jim Bisdee



Q4015, Q4005 & [dead] Q4010 on late 2030 ore at Herne Hill on February 3rd.

Photo Simon Barber



6006 & 6003 on 2MP1 intermodal, ACA6005 & ACB4402 on 4426 freight WEK 5/2.

Photo Peter Donaghy



4440 the 140th SD70ACe on transport float at Port Hedland February 21st.

Photo Toad Montgomery



ACB4402 & ACC6030 on 1413 ore at 644km Binduli February 9th.

Photo Peter Donaghy



8118 on 4P31 EMU set 098 and wagons of rail at Woodbridge February 19th.

Photo Jim Bisdee



P2508 on empty caustic tankers at Keysbrook February 16th.

Photo Simon Barber



ACN4172 on alumina at Picton on way to port unloaders February 12th.

Photo Phil Melling



Q4001 on 2033 empty ore Middle Swan February 3rd.

Photo Simon Barber



DBZ2309 & DBZ2311 on Worsley Alumina caustic tankers at Roelands February 12th. Photo Phil Melling



CBH002 & CBH001 on Watco grain descending grade at Bringo February 9th. Photo Phil Melling



ACN4173 on alumina running thru Brunswick February 11th.

Photo Phil Melling



Transwa Avonlink car undergoing engine overhaul at PTA Kewdale depot 16/2.

Photo Jim Bisdee



S3306 on loaded Worsley Alumina coal on Hamilton line February 11th.

Photo Phil Melling



L3110 & LZ3109 on 7142 container train at Wattle Grove February 15th.

Photo Jim Bisdee



P2509 & P2510 unload Mt Gibson ore, CBH001, CBH002 & CBH008 [dead attached to go to Mingenew for service] on empty grain stabled in Geraldton port February 9th. Photo Phil Melling



ACA6009 & Q4016 on 5416 empty ore at west end Binduli triangle 27/2. Photo Peter Donaghy



ACA6010 on 6197 Soundcem shunter at Thornlie February 7th.

Photo Jim Bisdee