HOW THE SUBSIDY IS PAID

1. **RAIL CUSTOMER**
   Receives $50 subsidy for each eligible container

2. **RAIL OPERATOR**
   Invoices DoT for subsidy provided to rail customers

3. **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT**
   Reviews and pays the Rail Operator’s invoices

**Eligible containers are:**
- Full containers transported by rail between North Quay Rail Terminal (NQRT), and either Forrestfield Intermodal Terminal or Kwinana Intermodal Terminal.
- Containers that are filled with hay and received by rail at NQRT for international export.

**Ineligible containers are:**
- Interstate or Kalgoorlie-based full containers transported by rail.
- Empty containers transported by rail.

**The Rail Operator:**
- Passes the subsidy directly and in full to rail customers.
- Only receives the subsidy payment in retrospect.

HOW THE SUBSIDY IS GOVERNED

**Funding:**
- The State Government allocates funding to the Department of Transport through the State Budget

**The Department of Transport monitors:**
- Key Performance Indicator (KPI) (the percentage of containers on rail)
- Budget v Actual Expenditure
  ... and assesses data consistency on a quarterly basis

**Auditing processes:**
- An **external auditor** annually examines the Rail Operator and Department of Transport processes
- The **Office of the Auditor General** annually audits KPI compliance