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Subject: Re: request for an attribute for the Infrastructure Manager of a line

Posted by \_\_\_\_\_ on Mon, 03 Dec 2012 15:27:35 GMT

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Dear Susanne,

Am 03.12.2012, 11:45 Uhr, schrieb Susanne Wunsch <coord@common.railml.org>:

> I would propose the following structure for the XML file:

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....  
> <infrastructureManagerCode id="d1e3">  
>   <version>  
....  
> <rail:line id="I1" infrastructureManagerCode="EIB">  
>   <rail:trackRef ref="t1"/>  
> </rail:line>
```

As far as I see, the /id/ and /infrastructureManagerCode/ are used redundantly. Which one of both attributes is the real reference and which one is "for information only"? I think <trackRef /ref/> is the real reference and /infrastructureManagerCode/ is "for information only". But this

- is different than in the past (where there was no /ref/ at a line),
- is confusing because not self-explaining.

At least, is not practical because in cases when a software knows only the abbreviation of the IM, it is not known whether one should simple use the attribute <line /infrastructureManagerCode/ > or one should create an element <infrastructureManagerCode> for only this code.

In total: Well, it would of course be possible but a little bit complicated, confusing and from my side not to be recommended.

At least, if you decide to do it anyway, please say that the addresses and such (what Andreas suggested) is included in <infrastructureManagerCode><version>.

Dirk.

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