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## Railway applications - Line categories for managing the interface between load limits of vehicles and infrastructure

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