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**CONNECTION CONTRACT BETWEEN NETWORK RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE LIMITED,
GOVIA THAMESLINK RAILWAY LIMITED AND SIEMENS PLC AT THREE BRIDGES**

Pursuant to section 18 of the Railways Act 1993 I hereby approve the terms of the proposed tri-partite access contract (being a track connection contract) between Network Rail Infrastructure Limited (Network Rail), Govia Thameslink Railway Limited (GTRL) and Siemens plc as the persons who are stated to be the parties to a proposed access contract submitted to ORR on 15 June 2015, relating to the connections at the Three Bridges Light Maintenance Depot, subject to the modifications specified in the Schedule to these directions.

I further direct Network Rail and GTRL, in your respective capacities as facility owners, to enter into the access contract with the other of you, in the capacity of beneficiary, on the terms so modified, not later than 2 August 2015.

You shall be released from the duty to enter into the contract in question if:

- a) Either of GTRL or Network Rail, in the capacity of facility owners, gives ORR notice of an objection pursuant to section 18(7)(c)(i) of the Railways Act 1993 before the expiration of a period fourteen days beginning with the day after the day on which these directions are issued; or
- b) Siemens plc fails to enter into the proposed access contract, as modified, by 2 August 2015.

These directions are issued 3 July 2015.



William Hammill
Duly authorised by the Office of Rail Regulation



SCHEDULE

MODIFICATIONS RELATING TO THE PROPOSED CONNECTION CONTRACT BETWEEN NETWORK RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE LIMITED, GOVIA THAMESLINK RAILWAY LIMITED AND SIEMENS PLC IN RESPECT OF THREE BRIDGES AS SUBMITTED TO THE OFFICE OF RAIL REGULATION UNDER SECTION 18 (5) OF THE RAILWAYS ACT 1993

Connection Contract

In the Connection Contract, the following amendment shall be made:

a) At Schedule 5: Limitation on liability, in the definition of liability cap at clause 1:

“Liability Cap” means:

(a) in relation to the first Contract Year, the sum of £•; ...

replace “£•” with the figure “£750,000” so that it reads:

“Liability Cap” means:

(a) in relation to the first Contract Year, the sum of £750,000;