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Mr Andrew Hall Deputy Chief Inspector of Rail Accidents Cullen House Berkshire Copse Rd Aldershot Hampshire GU11 2HP

Dear Andrew,

## Overturning of a tram at Sandilands junction, Croydon 9 November 2016

I write to you regarding the actions taken in respect of the recommendations addressed to ORR in the RAIB report: *Overturning of a tram at Sandilands junction, Croydon, 9 November 2016*, published on 7 December 2017.

ORR has carefully considered the report and its recommendations, including discussions with the UK tram industry at a sector safety conference held in Manchester on 22 January and at the Light Rapid Transit Safety and Standards Board (LRTSSB) steering group that was established following that conference.

The role of the LRTSSB steering group is to take collective ownership of recommendations 1-8. The steering group meets every 4 weeks and has so far met twice. Once formally established, the aim of the LRTSSB will be to improve the management and collaboration of Safety Risk in the Light Rapid Transit industry and to enable more effective industry cooperation

On the basis of our consideration and discussion with industry, we have decided that recommendations 1 to 5 are applicable to all tram owners, operators and infrastructure managers and recommendations 6 to 8 applicable to tram owners and operators in the UK. The recommendations were formally addressed to those relevant organisations on 26 March 2018. A version of the letter is attached.

We addressed recommendations 10-15 to Tram Operations Ltd and London Trams on 15 February 2018 and also brought them to the attention of the wider industry, but did not ask them to respond formally.

We will also write to DfT and UKTram to point out that, although the recommendations are not addressed to them, both organisations have a critical role

in enabling those that do have recommendations placed upon them to discharge them.

Recommendation 9 remains with ORR.

We will write to you with the formal response against all recommendations no later than 6 December 2018.

Yours sincerely,

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**Oliver Stewart**