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Dear Jon,

Network Rail's network statement, 2018

I am writing to you following our review of Network Rail's latest network statement. We have discussed with your team both the provisional version, on which you consulted in August 2016, and the final version: *Network Statement 2018*, published on 4 November 2016. We are satisfied that you have addressed, where you could, the changes we considered necessary.

In reviewing the network statement, we discussed with you one particular concern: *The Railways* (Access, Management and Licensing of Railway Undertakings) Regulations 2016 requires infrastructure managers to provide information relating to connected service providers and their facilities. We are aware that although your website has the means by which service providers may supply their information, you have received relatively little information so far. We are considering the best means of supporting Network Rail in collecting this information and will return to this point in due course.

Additional reporting requirements

As you are aware, recent EU legislation has created additional obligations so that infrastructure managers must include further information in their network statements:

Regulation EU 2016/545 on procedures and criteria concerning framework agreements for the allocation of rail infrastructure capacity:

- Article 3.3 the infrastructure manager shall include a framework capacity statement in the network statement.
- Article 6.1 the infrastructure manager shall publish in the network statement, in addition to the items listed in points (a) to (k) [of that article] the other items it intends to take into account when concluding framework agreements.



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• **Article 11.3** – the infrastructure manager shall establish and publish in the network statement requirements concerning the proportion of framework capacity that shall be used by the parties to framework agreements.

and

Regulation EU 2015/10 on criteria for applicants for rail infrastructure capacity and repealing implementing regulation EU 870/2014:

• **Article 3.2** – the infrastructure manager shall mention ... credit ratings [of the applicant] in the section on charging principles of its network statement, if applicable.

We will therefore need to keep these additional reporting requirements in mind when reviewing your next network statement.

Thank you for all your positive engagement in this area.

Yours sincerely

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