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Dear Calvin,

Enhancements Delivery Plan (EDP) change control: January - March 2017

I am writing to notify you of our decisions on the recent requests you have made to amend the EDP under the change control mechanism established through the periodic review. This letter sets out our decisions for your submissions since the last publication of the EDP in December 2016.

We have made decisions on the status of changed regulated milestones (as missed or revised) in this letter, using the criteria we have agreed. We intend to log these as such in the regulated milestones table that is published alongside the Network Rail Monitor.

W002a Intercity Express Programme: Western Capability

You are requesting a change to the scope, to include platform extensions at Chippenham (Up and Down) and Swansea platform 4 to accommodate all doors of a 10-car, Class 80X train. You are not requesting any changes to the regulated milestones.

We **approve** your requested changes to this project.

WX007 DC Regeneration

You are requesting to delay the start and end of GRIP 6 works by five months, following a delay to the withdrawal of "D" stock from the District line by London Underground Limited. This will require the entry into service (phase 2 infrastructure) regulated milestone to be revised from August 2017 to January 2018.

We **approve** your requested changes to this project. We intend to log the August 2017 regulated milestone as **revised**.

W011 Western Route: Access to Assets

You are requesting to delay the completion of GRIP 3 design work for points split end detection from Paddington to Maidenhead, to support more intensive use of the track by future Great Western Rail and Crossrail services. This requires the GRIP 3 regulated milestone to be revised from December 2016 to October 2017.

We note that there has been a disconnect between the Network Rail project team and network strategy and planning over the GRIP 3 milestone date (December 2016 or June 2017) and that your request for a change was submitted less than 6 months before the latter date.

We **approve** your requested changes to this project. We intend to log the December 2016 regulated milestone as **missed**.

LNE002b Intercity Express Programme (IEP) – East Coast Power Supply Upgrade

You are requesting to delay the GRIP 6 Infrastructure ready for use milestone for the National Grid 400kV feeder stations from December 2016 to August 2017.

This delay is because National Grid has not been able to meet its committed delivery milestone of December 2016. We acknowledge that National Grid notified you of this in October 2016, hence it was not possible to submit a change request earlier to give more notice to your stakeholders.

We **approve** your requested changes to this project. We intend to log the December 2016 regulated milestone as **revised**.

A002 – Anglia Traction Power Supply Upgrade

You are requesting to change the scope of the West Anglia Outer works to incorporate traction power requirements of project A006 (King's Lynn to Cambridge 8-car).

Your request includes delaying the entry into service regulated milestone from September 2018 to November 2018.

We **approve** your requested changes to this project. We intend to log the September 2018 regulated milestone as **revised**.

We note that you are also changing several indicator milestones which have already passed. In future we expect you to update old milestones in a more timely manner so that the EDP provides accurate information for stakeholders.

W005 – Western rail access to Heathrow

You are requesting to delay the completion of GRIP 3 design, due to rework associated with changes to the Environment Agency's climate change guidelines, and to implement value engineering solutions. This would require the GRIP 3 approval in principle regulated milestone to be delayed from August 2017 to September 2018.

We **approve** your requested changes to this project. We intend to log the August 2017 regulated milestone as **revised**.

W015 – Bristol East Junction (new project)

You are requesting the addition of a new project entry for the remodelling of the Bristol East Junction layout, including a new regulated milestone for entry into service in December 2019.

We **approve** your request for a new project with a new regulated milestone.

LNW011/F010 – Banbury light maintenance depot (new project)

You are requesting to transfer funds from the depots & stabling fund to continue the development of Banbury light maintenance depot, which is required for Chiltern Railways to meet its capacity requirement from the 2012 High Level Output Specification (HLOS).

Your request includes a new project entry in the EDP, with a new regulated milestone for entry into service in December 2017.

We **approve** your request for a new project with a new regulated milestone.

LNW004 – West Coast Power Supply Upgrade - revised milestone dates

You are requesting to remove two outputs: upgrading Weaver Junction to Whitmore to a 12kA autotransformer system; and the 12kA requirement in the Oxenholme feeder area. To align milestone dates with the North West electrification programme, you are requesting to delay the regulated milestone for entry into service from August 2017 to December 2017.

We **approve** your requested changes to this project. We intend to log the August 2017 regulated milestone as **revised**.

CR005/F010 – Blackburn Stabling Depot – Transfer of Funds post GRIP 4

You are requesting to transfer funds from the Depots & Stabling fund to the North of England Programme, to continue work on the Blackburn Stabling Depot. This will require an update to the EDP (for the North of England Programme, CR005), but there will not be a new regulated milestone.

We **approve** your requested changes.

CR005 – Northern Hub Package C, GRIP 3 Regulated Milestone

You are requesting to amend the GRIP 3 regulated milestone stated in the EDP from October 2016 to ‘Subject to Transport and Works Act Order (TWAO)’, because Network Rail is still awaiting the outcome of a TWAO submission to the Secretary of State in late 2015.

We **approve** your requested changes to the entry for the March 2017 EDP, but we expect you to provide a revised date in the subsequent (June 2017) version of the EDP. We intend to log the October 2016 regulated milestone as **revised**.

F014 - Update to LSE Weather Resilience Fund

You are requesting changes to four schemes within this fund:

Wessex – Flooding resilience (Axe Valley) Chard Junction to Axminster

You are requesting to reduce the scope of works, because the cost estimate after GRIP 3 exceeds the available budget from the F014 fund. You are also requesting to delay the regulated milestone for entry into service from October 2017 to March 2019.

We **approve** your requested changes to this scheme. We intend to log the October 2017 regulated milestone as **revised**.

Wessex - Lightning - Impact mitigation Waterloo to Clapham

You are requesting to delay the regulated milestone for Entry into Service from September 2016 to July 2017, because a survey during development identified additional scope which will ultimately provide additional resilience.

We **approve** your requested changes to this scheme. We intend to log the September 2016 regulated milestone as **missed**.

South East Route - Coastal - Enhanced coastal defence at Folkestone Warren

You are requesting to delay the regulated milestone for Entry into Service from March 2017 to March 2018. This delay was caused because resources were diverted from this scheme to the Dover Sea Wall in 2016.

We **approve** your requested changes to this scheme. We intend to log the March 2017 regulated milestone as **missed**.

LNE & EM - High Wind - OHL resilience (installing lightweight portals)

You are requesting to delay the regulated milestone for Entry into Service from March 2017 to August 2018. This delay was the result of additional time to engage and mobilise Works Delivery rather than using IP to complete the works, as originally planned

We **approve** your requested changes to this scheme. We intend to log the March 2017 regulated milestone as **missed**.

SC002 – Edinburgh to Glasgow Improvements Programme (EGIP) – Initial Phase Key Output 1

The EDP currently includes a regulated milestone of March 2017. However, the project is reporting it will miss this milestone and has committed to Transport Scotland a revised completion milestone of July 2017. As per common practice, when you are aware a milestone will be missed and you have committed to a new date, we expect you to update the EDP in a timely manner so your new obligations are transparent to your customers, funders and other stakeholders.

We intend to log the March 2017 regulated milestone for GRIP 6 as **missed** and we request that the EDP entry is updated to reflect the new July 2017 regulated milestone.

Scotland Projects - regulated milestone definition

We recently wrote to you (in a letter from John Larkinson to Susan Anderson dated 10th February 2017), regarding the definition of Scotland project completion milestones in the EDP. In this letter, we requested you update the definition of regulated output milestones from “infrastructure ready for use” to “Entry Into Service (EIS) – infrastructure authorised for passenger use”. This is to remove ambiguity around the definition of these milestones for train operators, passengers and freight customers.

This request is consistent with guidance we sent to your network strategy and capacity planning team in July 2015. You subsequently used this definition for England and Wales projects in updates to the EDP and we expect you to be consistent for Scotland projects. You have not updated the Scotland entries since we sent this letter and we expect you to update these projects, via the change control process, so your obligations are clear in the June update of the EDP.

Evidence of stakeholder consultation

It is important that you notify your customers and other stakeholders of your proposed changes to the EDP, to ensure they have the opportunity to comment. For all future change requests we expect you to consult all train operators (or known future operators)

operating regular services in the standard timetable and/or location that will be affected by the output of the project that you are requesting to change. This should include franchised passenger, open-access and freight train operators that provide services in the timetable or location affected by the project output.

Examples of an EDP project output that will affect train operators, where we expect operators to be consulted include (but are not limited to) infrastructure works to enable:

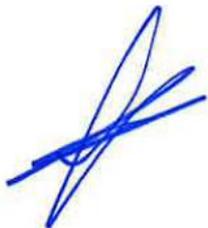
1. introduction of a changed timetable;
2. introduction of new, changed or cascaded rolling stock;
3. an improvement in infrastructure reliability and train performance; or
4. an upgrade, expansion or modernisation to a station and/or facilities provided at the station.

We also expect you to consult with local stakeholders who have invested in rail services that will be affected by the proposed changes to the enhancements delivery plan.

The consultation should notify stakeholders of the proposed change and give them the opportunity to raise any issues or impacts the change will have on their ability to run their businesses.

We will reject any future change requests where we have not received clear evidence that you have consulted the parties set out above.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of several overlapping, fluid strokes that form a stylized, abstract shape.

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