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Dear Calvin,

Enhancements Delivery Plan (EDP) change control: October - December 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 September 2017.

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.

A006 Kings Lynn – Cambridge 8-car

You are requesting to update the regulated milestone for GRIP3 (Completion of AIP) from 'TBC' to February 2018.

We **approve** your requested changes to the EDP.

CR003b East West Rail (EWR) phase 2

You are requesting updates to the description of scope and outputs in the EDP, to match the changes instructed by the DfT following the 'Secretary of State Challenge' (most notably the Aylesbury to Claydon line will now be upgraded as a single, rather than double line). We understand you will submit a separate change control in 2018 to update the milestone dates.

We note that one freight operating company objected to the change, stating that the scope changes are likely to have significant implications for freight capacity on EWR. Condition 1 of Network Rail's licence requires it to improve and enhance the network, so as to satisfy the reasonable requirements of persons providing services. However, this must be achieved to the greatest extent reasonably practicable having regard to all relevant circumstances including the ability of Network Rail to finance its licenced activities. As such we do not

believe these stakeholder objections amount to legitimate grounds for not approving the change in accordance with our statutory duties.

We **approve** your requested changes to the EDP.

IFDfT001 Western Flood Resilience

You are requesting to update the EDP wording to clarify the project scope. You are also requesting to delay the indicative (unregulated) milestone for GRIP 6 completion (all sites) from December 2017 to February 2019.

We note your intended changes to non-regulated items in the EDP but, as there are no changes to regulated outputs, no approval is needed from the ORR.

LNE001b TRU Micklefield Linespeed Improvements

You are requesting to update the indicative (unregulated) milestone dates and the scope description in the EDP. You are also requesting to introduce the closure of Peckfield level crossing into the project scope.

We **approve** your requested changes to the scope definition in the EDP.

LNE002a IEP - East Coast Capability - OLE Boosters

You are requesting to delay the regulated milestone for Entry Into Service (Infrastructure authorised for passenger use) from August 2017 to August 2018. This delay was due to a combination of procurement and resourcing issues and additional modelling.

We **approve** your requested changes to the EDP. We intend to log the August 2017 regulated milestone as **missed**.

LNE002a IEP - East Coast Capability - OLE Resilience

You are requesting to remove all scope and milestones relating to OLE resilience from the EDP. This includes the removal of two regulated milestones for GRIP 6 completion which currently show delivery dates as 'CP5'. This change was due to resourcing issues, which meant that the outputs cannot be delivered during this Control Period. We understand that some OLE resilience works are still being completed as part of the route asset management strategy.

We **approve** your requested changes to the EDP. We intend to log the two regulated milestones as **missed**.

LNE004 Gordon Hill Turnback

You are requesting to cancel all works on this project, as agreed with the project funder. You are requesting to revise the EDP wording and to remove all outstanding milestones, including the December 2018 regulated milestone for Entry Into Service. You are also requesting to transfer any remaining funds to the LNE009 project (Stevenage Turnback).

We **approve** your requested changes to the EDP. We intend to log the December 2018 regulated milestone as **deleted**.

LNE009 Stevenage Turnback

You are requesting to change the regulated milestone definition for GRIP 3 from 'AIP completion' to 'Option selection complete' and to update the date from 'CP6' to June 2018. You are also requesting to revise the EDP wording to clarify the scope in CP5.

We **approve** your requested changes to the EDP. We intend to log the 'CP6' regulated milestone as **revised**.

LNW004 West Coast Power Supply Upgrade

You are requesting to reduce the project scope, specifically the Bushey feeder area will not be upgraded to an AT 12kA system as part of LNW004. This scope is not currently described in the EDP, so you are not requesting any changes to the EDP wording or milestones.

We **approve** your requested changes to the project scope.

LNW006 Walsall to Rugeley

You are requesting to delay the regulated milestone for Entry Into Service (Infrastructure authorised for passenger use) from December 2017 to December 2018. The delay was due to the extent of historical shallow mine workings, which could not reasonably have been foreseen based on ground investigations.

We **approve** your requested changes to the EDP. We intend to log the December 2017 regulated milestone as **revised**.

W001a Great Western Electrification

You are requesting to change the definitions of indicative (unregulated) milestones from "EIS testing - Entry into Service for part of route section for train testing", to "Completion of infrastructure T&C / Route section available for driver training (if required)". You are also requesting to revise these indicative milestone dates.

We note your intended changes to non-regulated items in the EDP but, as there are no changes to regulated outputs, no approval is needed from the ORR.

W003b Southcote Junction to Basingstoke electrification

You are requesting to pause all development activities on this project, as agreed with the project funder. You are also requesting to change the June 2018 regulated milestone for GRIP 3 (Single option selection and AIP completion) to an indicative milestone and to delay it until CP6.

We **approve** your requested changes to the EDP. We intend to log the December 2017 regulated milestone as **deleted**.

W015 Bristol East Junction

You are requesting to revise the regulated milestone for Entry Into Service (Infrastructure authorised for passenger use) from December 2019 to 'CP6'. You are also requesting to revise two indicative (unregulated) milestones to 'CP6'. The delay is due to changing priorities within the wider West of England programme.

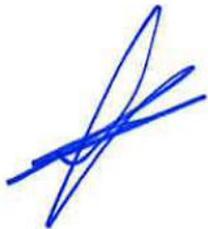
We **approve** your requested changes to the EDP. We intend to log the December 2019 regulated milestone as **missed**.

WX001 Waterloo

You are requesting to change the indicative (unregulated) milestone for 'Entry into service for testing and driver training' from May 2018 to December 2018. This change is due to a greater proportion of the testing and driver training being completed early, ahead of the temporary use of the Waterloo International Terminal in August 2017.

We note your intended changes to non-regulated items in the EDP but, as there are no changes to regulated outputs, no approval is needed from the ORR.

Yours sincerely,

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

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