

Market Study Notice

Market Study into the GB rail signalling market

The Office of Rail and Road (ORR) publishes this market study notice in accordance with section 130A of the Enterprise Act 2002 (the Act).

1. ORR is proposing to carry out its functions under section 69(1) of the Railways Act 1993 in relation to the rail signalling market in Great Britain, to consider the extent to which a matter in relation to the supply of those services relating to railways, within the meaning of section 67(3ZA) of the Railways Act 1993, has or may have effects adverse to the interests of consumers, and, to assess the extent to which steps can and should be taken to remedy, mitigate or prevent any such adverse effects.
2. Further details of the market study, including detailed issues on which ORR would welcome responses, are provided in the Statement of Scope document which is annexed to this notice.
3. ORR now invites any persons wishing to make representations on the matter, including on whether ORR should make a market investigation reference under section 131 of the Act, to do so in writing no later than **11 January 2021**.
4. If ORR proposes to make a market investigation reference, or if a representation (as provided for in section 131A of the Act) has been made to ORR to the effect that such a reference should be made but ORR proposes not to make one, ORR will publish a notice of that proposal and begin the process of consultation under section 131A(2)(b) of the Act no later than **11 May 2021**.
5. Save where paragraph 4 applies, if ORR decides not to make a market investigation reference under section 131 of the Act, ORR will publish notice of that decision no later than **11 May 2021**.
6. ORR will publish its market study report, setting out its findings in relation to the matter specified in this notice and the action (if any) which ORR proposes to take in relation to that matter, no later than **11 November 2021**.

12 November 2020

Office of Rail and Road

Notes

- i. Representations should be made in writing and emailed or posted to the address below.

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Further details of how to make representations are shown on the ORR project page: <https://www.orr.gov.uk/monitoring-regulation/rail/competition/market-monitoring/market-study-supply-signalling-systems-november-2020>

- ii. A copy of this notice is placed on the ORR project page: <https://www.orr.gov.uk/media/21775>