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Dear Chris

THE RAILWAYS (INTEROPERABILITY) REGULATIONS 2011, AS AMENDED WOOLWICH STATION

I refer to your application for authorisation, received on 9th February 2022. Following review of your application, I can confirm that ORR grants authorisation under regulation 4(1)(a) of the Railways (Interoperability) Regulations 2011, as amended.

This authorisation is for Woolwich Station, which is a sub-surface station providing platforms for the new Elizabeth Line. The station will be operated by Rail for London Infrastructure (RfLI).

This authorisation is for placing into service the Safety in Railway Tunnels (SRT) and Passenger of Reduced Mobility (PRM) requirements associated with the station. The Infrastructure (INF) and Energy (ENE) elements relating to the platform will be captured as part of the overall routeway assessment, which will be submitted at a later stage.

Crossrail, under Regulation 14 of RIR, was granted advanced stage exemptions against the latest NTSN requirements by the Department for Transport on 10th March 2021. The project has adopted requirements from the 2014 TSIs, as well as retaining some elements from the 2008 TSIs, where design was already in an advanced stage.

This authorisation is defined by the following limits:

Eastbound 21995.566m – 21247.523m Westbound 21087.218m – 21328.184m The restrictions or limitations of use on the structural subsystem are those listed on the UK Declaration of Verification (Reference CRL1-XRL-O7-LRC-CR001-50129, version 01, dated 04/02/2022) and contained in your technical file assessment report (Reference X2228-LLO-O-RGN-CR001-50145, version 02, dated 19/01/2022). There is one item of assessment outstanding.

Condition 1

SRT (1303/2014) 4.2.1.2.3.R4 – "(4) If there are handrails or walls within reach along the obstacle-free route to the platform, they shall have brief information (for example platform-number or direction-information) in Braille or in prismatic-letters or numbers on the handrail, or on the wall at a height between 145cm and 165cm."

Braille signage has been installed but at height which meets TfL requirements rather than the PRM TSI.

The project will adjust the signage tiles to a compliant position and submit the relevant evidence to the Approved Body for endorsement.

Completion date: by entry into passenger service

The Woolwich Station Safety Assessment Report (Reference X2228-LLO-O-RGN-CR001-50172, issue 02, dated 14/01/2022) undertaken by the Assessment Body supports Authorisation for Placing into Service. The general Safety Assessment Report for the Rail for London Infrastructure stations (Reference X2228-LLO-O-RGN-CR001-50159, issue 02, dated 11/01/2022) has no open observations or recommendations. The Declaration of Control of Risk (Reference CRL1-XRL-O7-LRC-CR001-50138, issue 1.0, dated 04/02/2022) states that all identified hazards and associated risks are controlled to an acceptable level to support Crossrail Central Operating Section Entry into Passenger service.

The infrastructure subsystem(s) authorised by this letter must be operated and maintained in accordance with Regulation 20.

You should be aware that any future modifications to the authorised subsystem may constitute a 'renewal' or an 'upgrade' as defined in Regulation 2. If a project entity, in relation to the project, considers that the modification meets either of these definitions they may apply, in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 13, to the Department for Transport (DfT) for a decision on whether a new authorisation will be required.

Should DfT decide that an authorisation is not required they must consult with ORR whether authorisation is required on safety grounds.

As the project entity you are responsible for retaining the technical file, keeping it up to date and making it available to the ORR in accordance with Regulations 18 and 19.

If you are not the owner of the authorised subsystem you shall within 60 days, in accordance with Regulation 19(3), transfer the technical file, certificate of verification and verification declaration to the owner of the subsystem and the owner shall then be regarded as the project entity. If the owner, in accordance with Regulation 19(4), disposes of their interest in the authorised subsystem, they shall within 60 days of the disposal transfer the technical file, certificate of verification and verification declaration to the person acquiring that interest and that person shall be regarded as the project entity.

Please note that the person who applied for the authorisation shall send particulars to the owner of the infrastructure to enable the owner of the infrastructure to enter the items on the Register of Infrastructure in accordance with Table 1 of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/777. This will include such further information as the registration entity may reasonably require set out in the relevant standard.

If you are the operator, may I remind you of the need to have adequate arrangements within your Safety Management System to control the risks associated with this infrastructure subsystem(s).

This decision letter will be published on ORR's website.

Yours sincerely

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