

NOTIFICATION TO THE OFFICE OF RAIL AND ROAD OF A PROPOSED OPEN ACCESS SERVICE THAT MAY BE SUBJECT TO THE ECONOMIC EQUILIBRIUM TEST

Please use this form to notify the Office of Rail and Road (ORR) of an open access service that may be subject to the Economic Equilibrium Test.

For further information, please see our published [Guidance on the Economic Equilibrium Test](#).

Information submitted in this form regarding the planned operation of the service should cover at least the first three years and, as far as possible, the first five years of operation.

Submitted forms will be published on the ORR website and notified to the relevant parties.

If this form is submitted with incomplete information, ORR will inform the applicant that incomplete requests will not be considered and will give the applicant the possibility to complete its request within ten working days.

This form does not replace our usual access application process, which should be followed in the usual manner as set out in our published [guidance](#).

ORR may request additional information in order to undertake the Economic Equilibrium Test.

What to send:

Please supply this form by e-mail, **in plain Microsoft Word or Open Document Text format** (i.e. excluding any macros, auto-para or page numbering, or other auto-formatting).

Where to send it:

Email: track.access@orr.gov.uk

You should also send a completed copy of this notification form to the relevant infrastructure manager.

Applicant details:

Company: GRAND UNION TRAINS
Contact individual: IAN YEOWART
Job title: CHIEF EXECUTIVE
Address: RIVERSIDE LODGE, FULFORD, YORK

Telephone number: [redacted]
E-mail address: [redacted]

Date of Form OA submission to ORR:	27 March 2019
Planned start date of services:	December 2020

Does the applicant:

- (a) hold a valid train operating licence under section 8 of the Railways Act 1993 or an exemption under section 7, or under The Railway (Licensing of Railway Undertakings) Regulations 2005, **and**
- (b) hold a valid safety certificate under the Railways and Other Guided Transport Systems (Safety) Regulations 2006.

If the answer to (a) **or** (b) is no, please state the point reached in obtaining a licence, exemption and/or safety certificate.

The team consists of experienced railway personnel and advisors and the application for the licence and safety certificate will be undertaken alongside the application for access.

Summary of the proposed service:

Please include the detailed route of the proposed service, indicating departure and destination stations and all intermediate stops.

London Paddington – Bristol Parkway – Severn Tunnel Junction – Newport – Cardiff Central

Please set out the indicative timings and frequency of the proposed service, including proposed departure and arrival times. This information may be submitted in an annex if preferred.

Hourly service leaving at 35 minutes past each hour. First down service at 0735 arriving Cardiff at 0920. Last down service at 2135. First up service at 0635 arriving Paddington at 0820. Last up service at 1935.

Please set out indicative information about the intended rolling stock.

Use of Class 91 locomotives, 9 coaches and 1 DVT in each train set