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Dear stakeholder,

Periodic review 2008: presentations from the draft determinations industry seminar

On 5 June 2008 we published our draft determinations on Network Rail's outputs and access charges for control period 4 (1 April 2009 to 31 March 2014).¹

On 9 July 2008 we held a seminar in London which was attended by more than 80 industry representatives (including Network Rail, passenger and freight train operators, government, passenger transport executives, Network Rail's suppliers, trade unions and regional and local authorities). The aim of the seminar was to provide an opportunity for us to explain our draft determinations to the industry, and for the industry to discuss our proposals for control period 4 before they submit their formal responses to us.

The presentations that were used during the seminar have now been published on our website.² The subjects are:

- Introduction and overview of the draft determinations;
- outputs;
- asset management and efficiency;
- accountability, monitoring and delivery; and
- incentives and access charges.

¹ Periodic review 2008: Draft determinations, Office of Rail Regulation, June 2008. This may be accessed at <http://www.rail-reg.gov.uk/upload/pdf/368.pdf>.

² Presentations may be accessed on the PR08 page of the ORR website at <http://www.rail-reg.gov.uk/server/show/nav.180>

The views of stakeholders on the draft determinations are important. If you would like to make a response please send it to me (ideally electronically to paul.mcmahon@orr.gsi.gov.uk) before the consultation closes on 4 September 2008.

If you send a written response, you should indicate clearly if you wish all or part of your response to remain confidential to ORR. Otherwise we would expect to make it available in our library and on our website and potentially to quote from it. Where your response is made in confidence please can you provide a statement summarising it, excluding the confidential information, that can be treated as a non-confidential response. We may also publish the names of respondents in future documents or on our website, unless you indicate that you wish your name to be withheld.

Unless confidentiality is requested, the responses will be published on the PR08 page of the ORR website in September. We will consider carefully all the responses we receive before we confirm our final determinations, which we will publish on 30 October 2008.

Yours sincerely

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