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Dear

## INFORMED TRAVELLER (T-12) COMPLIANCE: PRINCES RISBOROUGH – AYNHO TRACKWORKS

- 1. Thank you for your letter 16 June received in this office on 19 June.
- 2. In the light of the information provided in your letter, I am satisfied that this short notice change to the timetable is a contravention of Condition 8 of Railtrack's Network Licence.
- 3. However, I note the circumstances described in your letter and the adverse impact on passengers and performance if the necessary timetable changes do not take place on Sundays 6 and 13 August.
- 4. I am also satisfied that under section 55(5)(a) of the Railways Act 1993 the Regulator's section 4 duties would preclude the making of a provisional or final enforcement order, and accordingly, you should treat this letter as a notice for the purposes of section 55(6) of the Railways Act 1993. A copy of this letter will be placed on the public register.

MICHAEL BESWICK DIRECTOR NETWORK REGULATION

5. I am concerned that the apparent delay in establishing responsibility for the track problems (paragraph 3 of your letter) is put forward as a reason for delay in the planning and execution of remedial action. Any dispute as to such responsibility

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should be resolved through the use, if necessary, of any dispute resolution process and should not be allowed to affect adversely those using the section of railway in question.

6. A copy of this letter goes to Richard Fearn, Zone Director at Railtrack Midlands, Adrian Shooter, Managing Director at Chiltern Railways, John Conway, Head of Operational Planning at Railtrack HQ, John Smith, Head of Regulatory Affairs at Railtrack HQ and to colleagues here.

Yours Sincerely,

MICHAEL BESWICK