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Dear Nicholas and David,

Consent to a Supplement to the Track Usage Price List: Class 73/9 and Class 92/0

1. The Office of Rail and Road (ORR) has today issued a Notice of Consent to a Supplement to the Track Usage Price List, submitted to us jointly by Network Rail Infrastructure Limited (Network Rail) and Serco Caledonian Sleepers Limited (SCSL) on 11 February 2016 under Paragraph 9 of Part 2 of Schedule 7 to the Track Access Contract (TAC) between Network Rail and SCSL. The purpose of this letter is to set out the reasons for our decision.

Purpose of the change

2. The purpose of this supplement is to amend the Passenger Variable Use Charge (VUC) Rates section of the Track Usage Price List to include the new Class 73/9 and Class 92/0 vehicle types. This is required because SCSL changed the type of locos being used to haul the service at the beginning of the franchise, and these vehicles do not have a VUC rate.

Consultation

4. There is no requirement for industry consultation in this matter.

ORR review

5. We reviewed the application from a technical viewpoint and we were content with the values proposed.

6. Paragraph 9 of Part 2 of Schedule 7 to the TAC states that consent by ORR shall come into effect on the date on which the vehicles are first used on the Network by the Train Operator.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michael Albon', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Michael Albon