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Dear all

Novation of the track access contract dated 9th November 2007 between Network Rail Infrastructure Limited and London Overground Rail **Operations Limited**

- The Office of Rail and Road (ORR) has today, in accordance with the Railways Act 1. 1993 (the Act), approved the novation of the above track access contract from London Overground Rail Operations Limited (LOROL) to Arriva Rail London Limited (ARL) and directs ARL to enter into the contract with Network Rail Infrastructure Limited (Network Rail) (jointly the parties).
- ARL will take over from the existing operator of the London Overground concession, LOROL, on 13 November 2016. The current track access contract between Network Rail and LOROL runs until the Principal Change Date 2018.
- 3. Network Rail submitted the proposed Deed of Novation and explanatory letter to ORR on 21 September 2016. We had previously agreed with the parties that, as there would not be any changes to the contract, no changes in the use of capacity and no other parties were affected, a consultation would not be necessary. We were content with the proposed wording of the Deed.

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- 4. We expect the parties to execute this novation by 27 October 2016.
- 5. A copy of the directions and the signed Deed will be placed on our public register, copies of this letter, the directions and the Deed will also be placed on the ORR website. The parties have not requested any redactions.
- 6. I am also copying this letter to Peter Craig at Network Rail and Keith Merritt at Department for Transport.
- 7. Once the Deed is signed, in accordance with section 72(5) of the Act, you must send a copy to the ORR within 14 days.

Yours sincerely

Jonathan Rodgers