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Dear Phil

## Re: East Coast, proposals for Stirling, Sunderland, Leeds, Edinburgh industry consultation for Section 22A applications

I am writing with reference to the industry consultation circulated on 5<sup>th</sup> February.

DBTW wish to raise a number of questions associated with the proposed Application 2 "Sunderland" (49th Supplemental Agreement) East Coast trains operation of services to and from Sunderland from December 2015.

In order to understand the impact on DBTW Metro operations can you please provide the following information:

- DBTW seek assurance that the proposed service will not impact on the access rights of up to 6 services per hour?
- DBTW wish to seek assurance for protection of firm rights (in terms of journey time and interval pattern) for Metro service operating from Pelaw Junction to South Hylton?
- Confirmation of the length of rolling stock to be utilised for this service and assurance that this will be consistent with the capabilities of the infrastructure at Sunderland station?
- Confirmation of the contingency arrangements for the proposed service in the event delay, given the potential impact on Metro frequency
- Confirmation that the proposed services will not exceed 5 minutes dwell time at Sunderland station

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DBTW welcome your proposal and look forward to receiving your comments to the points raised in the near future.

Yours sincerely

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