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Dear Joe and Jonathan

## Seventh supplemental agreement to the track access contract between Network Rail Infrastructure Limited (Network Rail) and MTR Corporation Limited (Crossrail)

1. We have today approved the above supplemental agreement submitted to us formally on 20 February 2017.

2. The agreement amends Paragraph 5.1 in Schedule 5 of the parties' track access contract to accommodate for the addition of the Class 345 rolling stock. Crossrail will be adapting a phased approach to the introduction of the new rolling stock beginning with driver training in April 2017 before moving on to passenger operations in May 2017. By September 2017 Crossrail will be operating 15 7-carriage Class 345 Reduced Length Units. The final fleet will comprise of 66 9-carriage Class 345 Full Length Units by late 2019.

3. Network Rail undertook a 28 day industry consultation and received no objections.

4. We reviewed the application and were generally content with the proposal. We identified some drafting issues and put this to the parties. They have accepted our suggestions and amended the agreement accordingly. There were no further issues.



5. Under clause 18.2.4 of the track access contract, Network Rail is required to produce a conformed copy, within 28 days of any amendment being made, and send copies to ORR and the Train Operator. ORR's copy should be sent for my attention.

6. In accordance with section 72 of the Act, we will place a copy of the approval notice and the agreement on our public register. Copies of this letter, the approval notice and the agreement will be sent to Keith Merritt at the Department for Transport and Peter Craig at Network Rail. Copies of this letter and the agreement will be placed on the ORR website.

Yours sincerely

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