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Dear Doreen and David

## Approval of the 58th supplemental agreement to the track access contract between Network Rail Infrastructure Limited (Network Rail) and Arriva Rail London Limited (ARL) (jointly, "the parties")

1. We have today approved the above supplemental agreement submitted to us formally on 8 December 2017 under section 22 of the Railways Act 1993 (the Act). This follows an earlier informal submission of a draft agreement for our consideration. The purpose of this letter is to set out the reasons for our decision.

## Purpose of the agreement

- 2. The purpose of this agreement is to provide ARL with amended rights for the December 2017 timetable change. The additional services approved under this agreement mainly involve the introduction of late-night service, on several routes to improve frequencies for passengers up until the end of service. On certain Overground routes, there are currently late-evening intervals of up to 30 minutes, as compared to the typical daytime frequency of 15 minutes on all ARL routes (bar the Euston-Watford Junction DC Line, which has a 20-minute frequency).
- 3. The parties are also tidying up Service Group EK01 in order to simplify the table and accurately reflect the services that actually operate on the network. The changes involve both increases and decreases to quantum and mostly affect the West London Lone (Clapham Junction to Willesden Junction High Level and Stratford services.

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9. Electronic copies of this letter, the approval notice and the agreement will be sent to Keith Merritt at Department for Transport and Peter Craig at Network Rail. Copies of the approval notice and the agreement will be placed on ORR's public register (website) and copies of this letter and the agreement will be placed on the ORR website.

Yours sincerely

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