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Your ref :  
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Dear Daniel

I am writing in response to your letter of 2 March inviting representations in respect of Grand Central's application.

GNER is aware of Grand Central's requirement for a Station Access Agreement at York.

Whilst we are aware of outstanding issues we are not aware of any areas where we have failed to agree with Grand Central. We issued a template Station Access Agreement to Grand Central in November 2006, Grand Central agreed to review the document with GNER at a meeting they would arrange. So far no meeting has been arranged. The financial information for the 2007/8 Station Access year was submitted to all existing beneficiaries and Grand Central on 07 February 2007 as required. To date we have not had any response from Grand Central.

We are still awaiting details of vehicle counts from Grand Central.

In Paragraph 3.3 of Grand Central's S17 application they refer to an abatement of the CIS. This is part of a Regulatory approved agreement.

At York Station the costs of the car park do not form part of the QX. It would appear entirely appropriate that Beneficiaries do not share in the revenue.

In Paragraph 5 Grand Central states they have not received sufficient information to back up the proposed QX or LTC charges. Grand Central received the same information, at the same time as the existing beneficiaries.

In summary GNER has submitted to Grand Central such information as is needed. We were and we remain quite content to agree a Station Access Agreement using the same process as with the existing beneficiaries.

Yours sincerely

Adrian Caltieri  
Manager, Regulation & Compliance