CONNECTION CONTRACT BETWEEN NETWORK RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE LIMITED AND GOVIA THAMESLINK RAILWAY LIMITED AT CRICKLEWOOD LIGHT MAINTENANCE DEPOT (SOUTH SIDINGS) (“CRICKLEWOOD”)

Pursuant to section 18 of the Railways Act 1993 I hereby approve the terms of the proposed access contract (being a track connection contract) between Network Rail Infrastructure Limited (“Network Rail”) and Govia Thameslink Railway Limited (“GTRL”) as the persons who are stated to be the parties to a proposed access contract submitted to the Office of Rail and Road (“ORR”) on 10 March 2016, relating to the connections at Cricklewood, subject to the modifications specified in the Schedule to these directions.

I further direct Network Rail and GTRL, in your respective capacities as facility owners, to enter into the access contract with the other of you, in the capacity of beneficiary, on the terms so modified, not later than 5 October 2016.

You shall be released from the duty to enter into the contract in question if either of GTRL or Network Rail, in the capacity of facility owners, gives ORR notice of an objection pursuant to section 18(7)(c)(i) of the Railways Act 1993 before the expiration of a period fourteen days beginning with the day after the day on which these directions are issued.

These directions are issued 5 September 2016.

Gerry Leighton
Duly authorised by the Office of Rail and Road

SCHEDULE

MODIFICATIONS RELATING TO THE PROPOSED CONNECTION CONTRACT BETWEEN NETWORK RAIL AND GOVIA THAMESLINK RAILWAY LIMITED IN RESPECT OF CRICKLEWOOD AS SUBMITTED TO ORR UNDER SECTION 18(5) OF THE RAILWAYS ACT 1993

In the connection contract the following amendments shall be made:

a) Replace Recital (C) with the following paragraph:

"The Office of Rail and Road has issued directions permitting Network Rail to grant to the Adjacent Facility Owner permission to connect to the Connecting Network on the terms and conditions of this contract."

b) All the references to the “Office of Rail and Road Regulation” throughout to be replaced by the “Office of Rail and Road”.

c) At clause 8.2 the brackets and footnote around “[three]" to be deleted.

d) At the end of sub-clause 13.2(k) after ADRR Forum, insert a close bracket “)".

e) At clause 15.1.1 change the amount to paid annually by the Adjacent Facility Owner to £57,392.77.

f) At clause 15.4.3 the brackets around “[three]” to be deleted.

g) At Schedule 3 the bracket “]” at the end of paragraph the closed bracket “]” to be deleted.