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Dear Sir/Madam,

RAIB report: Overturning of a tram at Sandilands Junction, Croydon 9 November 2016

Thank you for your initial response to our letter of 29 March 2018 summarising the actions you are taking in response to recommendations 1 to 8 set out within the Sandilands RAIB report.

We note that the actions proposed by individual duty holders in response to the majority of the recommendations are dependent to a significant extent on the output from the industry's responses to recommendations 1 & 2, to ensure that reasonably practicable safety improvements are made. We are monitoring progress with recommendations 1 & 2 through the proposed establishment of the Light Rail Safety & Standards Board and the development of an industry risk model and subsequent guidance. We will continue to participate in the industry steering group taking this work forwards.

It is clear that as the actions in response to recommendations 1 & 2 mature, you will be updating your approach in how you are responding to recommendations 3 to 8. This should provide greater clarity on the specific measures you plan to take and the proposed timetable to deliver them. We look forwards to receiving further updates setting out your confirmed actions towards the end of March 2019.

Responses to recommendations 5 in particular is not dependent on that work. Therefore we are planning to visit tram owners, operators and infrastructure managers as part of our planned 2018/19 inspection activity to validate what was stated in response to recommendations 5.

My colleague Chris Goodlad will be in contact in due course to arrange an inspection visit.

Yours Sincerely

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Oliver Stewart