

Your Ref:  
East West Rail - 133735

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Dear Pip Hoskins,

**THE RAILWAYS (INTEROPERABILITY) REGULATIONS 2011, AS AMENDED  
EAST WEST RAIL – PHASE 2**

I refer to your application for authorisation received on the 29<sup>th</sup> August 2024. Following review of your application, I can confirm that ORR grants authorisation under regulation 4(1)(a) of the Railways (Interoperability) Regulations 2011, as amended. This authorisation is for the placing in service East West Rail – Phase 2. The subsystem comprises of the following:

- Structures, track and earthworks in the East West Rail phase 2 route sections 2A, 2B and 2C including Bletchley flyover, HS2 interface structures
- Winslow Station (New station, 2 platforms)
- Bletchley Station (Platforms 7 and 8, including the connection from the existing bridge across platforms 1-6)

The limits of the authorisation are detailed in the following tables:



| No | ELR | Details<br>(Project Chainage m)           | TID  | Start<br>Miles | Start<br>Yards | Finish<br>Miles | Finish<br>Yards |
|----|-----|---|------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1  | OXD | Down Bletchley line<br>(109448 – 80840)   | 2100 | 18             | 1075           | 0               | 1364            |
| 2  | OXD | Up Bletchley line<br>(109448 – 80840)     | 1100 | 18             | 1075           | 0               | 1364            |
| 3  | OXD | Claydon Loop<br>(99515 – 97918)           | 3500 | 12             | 0769           | 11              | 0783            |
| 4  | OXD | Claydon Reception<br>Line 99329 – 98107)  | 3800 | 12             | 0566           | 11              | 0990            |
| 5  | BFO | Down Bletchley line<br>(80840 – 79248)    | 2100 | 0              | 0              | 0               | 1672            |
| 6  | BFO | Up Bletchley line<br>(80840 – 79248)      | 1100 | 0              | 0              | 0               | 1672            |
| 7  | BFO | Down Bletchley<br>Chord (79248 – 78767)   | 2100 | 0              | 1672           | 1               | 488             |
| 8  | BFO | Up Bletchley Chord<br>(79248 – 78767)     | 1100 | 0              | 1672           | 1               | 488             |
| 9  | DHF | Down Bletchley line<br>(79248 – 78230)    | 2100 | 0              | 1672           | 1               | 1008            |
| 10 | DHF | Up line Bletchley line<br>(79248 – 77949) | 2100 | 0              | 1672           | 1               | 1313            |

| No | ELR | Details                      | Start<br>Miles | Start<br>Yards | Finish<br>Miles | Finish<br>Yards |
|----|-----|------------------------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1  | OXD | Winslow Station              | 07             | 0907           | 07              | 0791            |
| 2  | BFO | Bletchley High Level Station | 00             | 1667           | 00              | 1551            |

There are no restrictions or limitations of use on the structural subsystem as described in the Declaration of Verification, reference: **133735-EWR-CRF-ESS-000015, version Z01.2**, dated 25<sup>th</sup> September 2024 and described in the Approved Body and Designated Body Technical File Reference Report reference **NCB\_N04480\_CAR\_5863, version V1.0** issued by NCB, dated 27/08/2024.

The Safety Assessment Report (Reference NCB\_N04480\_SAR\_5817, Version 1 dated 18/07/2024) and the Safety Assessment Report Addendum (Reference NCB\_N04480\_SAR\_5905 V1.0, dated 23/08/2024) undertaken by the Assessment Body concludes that you have demonstrated suitable application of CSM-RA.

Your Declaration of Control of Risk (DoCoR) (Reference 133735-EWR-REP-ESS-000033, version A03, dated 29/08/2024) states that all hazards and associated risks, safety requirements and safety measures resulting from the risk assessment have been controlled to an acceptable level. Hazard closure, provision evidence and actions that are going to be taken to close them as part of the entry into service process have been acknowledged in the DoCoR. The project is required to satisfy themselves and North West & Central System Review Panel that these have been sufficiently addressed before entry into passenger service.



The infrastructure subsystem(s) authorised by this letter must be operated and maintained in accordance with Regulation 20.

You should be aware that any future modifications to the authorised subsystem may constitute a 'renewal' or an 'upgrade' as defined in Regulation 2. If a project entity, in relation to the project, considers that the modification meets either of these definitions they may apply, in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 13, to the Department for Transport (DfT) for a decision on whether a new authorisation will be required. Should DfT decide that an authorisation is not required they must consult with ORR whether authorisation is required on safety grounds.

As the project entity you are responsible for retaining the technical file, keeping it up to date and making it available to the ORR in accordance with Regulations 18 and 19.

If you are not the owner of the authorised subsystem you shall within 60 days, in accordance with Regulation 19(3), transfer the technical file, certificate of verification and verification declaration to the owner of the subsystem and the owner shall then be regarded as the project entity. If the owner, in accordance with Regulation 19(4), disposes of his interest in the authorised subsystem, he shall within 60 days of the disposal transfer the technical file, certificate of verification and verification declaration to the person acquiring that interest and that person shall be regarded as the project entity.

Please note that the person who applied for the authorisation shall send particulars to the owner of the infrastructure to enable the owner of the infrastructure to enter the items on the Register of Infrastructure in accordance with Table 1 of Commission Implementing Decision 2019/777 as amended by Regulations 21 to 30 of The Railways (Interoperability) (Miscellaneous Amendments and Revocations) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020. This will include such further information as the registration entity may reasonably require set out in the relevant standard.

The person who applied for the authorisation to place in service may apply to the ORR for a determination of type. You will receive the type authorisation after providing the relevant data to the ORR.

If you are the operator, may I remind you of the need to have adequate arrangements within your Safety Management System to control the risks associated with this infrastructure subsystem(s).

This decision letter will be published on ORR's website.



Yours sincerely

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