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Dear Laura and Jeff,

**CONSENT TO SUPPLEMENT THE CP7 TRACK USAGE PRICE LIST:  
Class 73/9 locomotive**

The Office of Rail and Road has issued a Notice of Consent to Supplement the Track Usage Price List, as submitted to us by GB Railfreight Limited and Network Rail Infrastructure Limited on 16 January 2025 under Schedule 7 of the track access contract between the parties. This letter sets out the reasons for our decision.

**Purpose of the change**

The purpose of the Supplement is to amend the Variable Usage Charge (VUC) rates section of the Track Usage Price List, for the purpose of the track access contract, to include rates for the Class 73/9 locomotive. It is required due to a change of purpose of the vehicle from supply chain to commercial traffic. There are therefore no existing rates in the price list.

**ORR review**

The VUC rates have been agreed between the parties using data from the locomotive manufacturer and calculated using the CP7 VUC calculator. This amendment shall have retrospective effect from the first date these vehicles were used on the Network or 1 April 2024, whichever date is later.

**Industry consultation**

There is no requirement for industry consultation in this matter as the changes do not affect any other freight operating company.

**ORR review**

The CP7 VUC rates have been agreed between the parties using data from appropriate sources and calculated using the CP7 VUC calculator developed by Network Rail in 2023/24 prices. ORR have accepted the vehicle characteristics at face value, and it is the parties' responsibility to assure themselves that they are correct in all aspects.

## **Public register and administration**

Copies of this Decision Letter as well as the Notice of Consent will be placed on the ORR website.

Yours sincerely

***Margret Haswell***