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Dear Gordon

Implementing Regulation on Service Facilities: ORR consultation

Thank you for your letter of 24 May 2019 in which you sought views on ORR's proposed changes to its existing guidance on The Railways (Access, Management and Licensing of Railway Undertakings) Regulations 2016.

Network Rail has engaged with other European railway infrastructure managers to develop a common template for service facilities in line with the requirements of the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2177 of 22 November 2017.

As stated in your letter the majority of service providers within Great Britain connect to our network. In line with your guidance, and as part of the annual standard update to our Network Statement we will be requesting any updates alongside consultation responses for the version which is published in November. We will also update any links and publish information in a timely manner at other points of the year when it is provided by the service facility operator.

The updates to your guidance help the reader to interpret the requirements of the Implementing Regulation and helpfully set out how ORR will approach application of the legislation.

I would be happy to meet with you to discuss any elements of the Implementing Regulation and Network Rail's approach to implementing the legislation.

Yours sincerely

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