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Dear Mr Kerrigan

## CLOSURE RATIFICATION NOTICE – WITHDRAWAL OF SCHEDULED PASSENGER SERVICES BETWEEN EALING BROADWAY STATION AND WANDSWORTH ROAD STATION

1. On 14 November 2012 the Department for Transport requested that the Office of Rail Regulation (ORR) ratify the proposal to withdraw scheduled passenger railway services operating between Ealing Broadway Station and Wandsworth Road Station.

2. Further to section 32(8) of the Railways Act 2005 ("the Act"), I am satisfied that:

- (a) There has been no failure or defect in the consultation; and
- (b) That the proposal satisfies the criteria set out in the relevant part of the closure guidance issued under the Act.

3. Having considered the overall proposal, I hereby ratify the withdrawal of scheduled passenger railway services operating between Ealing Broadway Station and Wandsworth Road Station. The services affected by this ratification notice are:

(a) a weekly bus service operating on Tuesdays from Ealing Broadway to Wandsworth Road via Kensington Olympia at 0945 returning 1315;



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- (b) a train service operating Mondays to Fridays from Kensington Olympia to Wandsworth Road at 1002, calling at West Brompton and Imperial Wharf (operated by Southern); and
- (c) a train service operating Mondays to Fridays from Clapham High Street to Kensington Olympia at 1609 calling at Wandsworth Road, Imperial Wharf and West Brompton (operated by Southern).

4. Under section 33(2) of the Act, the ORR is empowered to "impose such requirements relevant to the proposal as it considers appropriate". I do not consider it necessary to impose such requirements.

5. Under ORR's power in section 32(9)(b) of the Act, I am requiring the operators of Ealing Broadway, Kensington Olympia, West Brompton, Imperial Wharf, Clapham High Street and Wandsworth Road stations to display this notice at the station for a period of 4 weeks following the date of this notice.

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**Brian Kogan** Duly authorised by the Office of Rail Regulation