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For the attention of Peter Ruback, Michael
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Dear Sirs,

Response to the Regulator's Consultation on Model Clauses,
Criteria and Procedures and Local Output Commitments and the
Provision of Information

We have participated in the ATOC facilitated meetings between representatives of your office and train operators regarding these matters. Our concerns arise mainly from the detail in the proposed drafting which we hope will lead to the documentation being amended in close consultation with industry parties.

The track access agreement terms and mechanisms are key to a train operators business and ability to meet its obligations to passengers and to the SRA. It is essential that changes to their structure do not adversely affect the range of risks we face, or add unnecessary incremental costs. However, we support the developments proposed which increase certainty and assurance of our entitlement to access which will assist us in planning our business.

Thames Trains Limited fully support the detailed responses submitted by ATOC under separate cover.

We look forward to working with your office to finalise these proposals.

Yours faithfully

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