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## **RE: Freightliner Limited 25<sup>th</sup> Supplemental Agreement**

Response to Network Rail Representations

Dear Margret,

Thank you for providing Freightliner Limited ('Freightliner') the opportunity to comment on Network Rail's representations to the proposed 25<sup>th</sup> Supplemental Agreement.

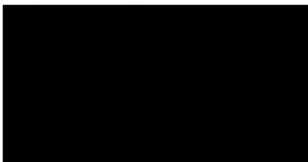
Freightliner note that, at the time of writing, owing to the unprecedented number of applications received, Network Rail have been unable to provide confirmation on the impact Freightliner's aspirations will have on the timetable, and that a plan has been devised which will see Network Rail undertake a study to understand the impact these additional rights will have.

This 25<sup>th</sup> Supplemental Agreement covers aspirational Rights for uplifts to existing Firm Access Rights that for part of Freightliner's TAC. The increases to trailing weights and train lengths form a key part of the delivery of a more efficient freight operation allowing best use to be made of existing capacity by maximising the use of each path.

Following conversations with Network Rail, Freightliner seek to introduce these uplifts from the May 2025 timetable change (not December 2024) and will work with Network Rail to provide more details on this over the coming weeks.

Freightliner will await further information from Network Rail regarding any capacity or operational concerns and respond to these in due course.

Yours Sincerely



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