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Dear Stephen Williams,

**THE RAILWAYS (INTEROPERABILITY) REGULATIONS 2011, AS AMENDED
PORTH TRANSPORT HUB**

I refer to your application for authorisation received on the **12th December 2024** and technical file reference **PTH_APIS_Request** dated **12th December 2024**. Following review of your application, I can confirm that ORR grants authorisation under regulation 4(1)(a) of the Railways (Interoperability) Regulations 2011, as amended. This authorisation is for the placing in service of the following:

- A new Transport Hub building at Porth Station which will house the ticketing office, waiting rooms, staff mess facilities, staff and public toilets (including accessible toilet), staff offices and storage rooms with shared usage for bus and rail.
- New mechanical and electrical services and Station Information and Security Systems (SISS) facilities for the new Transport Hub building.
- Removal of the existing ramp, on the north platform, from the station footbridge and replacement by a lift installed within the Transport Hub building.
- Modification to the existing footbridge to provide an interface with the first-floor lift lobby in the Transport Hub building.
- Remodelling of the station forecourt and provision of a night gate entrance to the north platform



Porth Transport Hub Project is located on the **Rhondda Line** (part of the Core Valley Lines (CVL)) between **Pontypridd** and **Treherbert**. The new works will all take part on the north side of the station.

There are no restrictions or limitations of use on the structural subsystem as described in the Declaration of Verification, reference: **PTH_DoV V2.0**. Dated **21st November 2024** and described in the Approved Body Technical File Reference Report reference ApBo file INF **768364-8647/V01** issued by **Richardo, V1**, dated **08/11/2024** and ApBo Assessment Report **768364-7738** issued by **Richardo, V2** dated **06/11/2024**.

The Amey Infrastructure Wales Assessment Panel (**AIWAP**) have endorsed this project and are satisfied that any identified hazards, both legacy and residual, have been adequately closed and/or transferred to the appropriate body before placing in service in accordance with the Declaration of Control of Risk Reference: **PTH_DOCOR**, version **V3.0**, dated **11/12/2024**.

The infrastructure subsystem(s) authorised by this letter must be operated and maintained in accordance with Regulation 20.

You should be aware that any future modifications to the authorised subsystem may constitute a 'renewal' or an 'upgrade' as defined in Regulation 2. If a project entity, in relation to the project, considers that the modification meets either of these definitions they may apply, in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 13, to the Department for Transport (DfT) for a decision on whether a new authorisation will be required. Should DfT decide that an authorisation is not required they must consult with ORR whether authorisation is required on safety grounds.

As the project entity you are responsible for retaining the technical file, keeping it up to date and making it available to the ORR in accordance with Regulations 18 and 19.

If you are not the owner of the authorised subsystem you shall within 60 days, in accordance with Regulation 19(3), transfer the technical file, certificate of verification and verification declaration to the owner of the subsystem and the owner shall then be regarded as the project entity. If the owner, in accordance with Regulation 19(4), disposes of his interest in the authorised subsystem, he shall within 60 days of the disposal transfer the technical file, certificate of verification and verification declaration to the person acquiring that interest and that person shall be regarded as the project entity.

Please note that the person who applied for the authorisation shall send particulars to the owner of the infrastructure to enable the owner of the infrastructure to enter the items on the Register of Infrastructure in accordance with Table 1 of Commission Implementing Decision 2019/777 as amended by Regulations 21 to 30 of The Railways (Interoperability) (Miscellaneous Amendments and Revocations) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020. This will include such further information as the registration entity may reasonably require set out in the relevant standard.



The person who applied for the authorisation to place in service may apply to the ORR for a determination of type. You will receive the type authorisation after providing the relevant data to the ORR.

If you are the operator, may I remind you of the need to have adequate arrangements within your Safety Management System to control the risks associated with this infrastructure subsystem(s).

This decision letter will be published on ORR's website.

Yours sincerely

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