



# Department for Transport

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Dear Rachel,

**Alliance Rail Holdings Section 17 Proposal – Rights for an hourly fast service between London and Edinburgh, calling at Newcastle only**

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the minor addition proposed to be added by Alliance Rail to its Section 17 application for fast services between London – Edinburgh, whereby an extra call at Stevenage would be added to certain trains.

Whilst noting this addition, the Department stands by its position, as set out in its reply dated 24 January 2014 to the above application.

Yours sincerely,

**Andrew Murray**

**Copy to:** Chris Brandon, Alliance Rail Holdings  
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