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Dear Christopher

Approval of Proposal for Change 77 (PfC 77) – amendments to Chapter B of the Access Dispute Resolution Rules

1. The Office of Rail and Road (ORR) has today approved Proposal for Change 77 (PfC 77) to Chapter B of the Access Dispute Resolution Rules (ADR Rules), which was submitted to it by the Class Representative Committee (CRC) on 9 September 2019. This proposal, sponsored by DB Cargo (UK) Limited, amends Chapter B of the ADR Rules to improve the flexibility of the dispute resolution process contained within it.
2. ORR has reviewed the consultation responses received and considered by the CRC at its meeting on 5 August 2019. During the meeting the CRC agreed to make non-material changes to the proposal in light of representations received. The CRC endorsed PfC 77 at its meeting on 5 August 2019 by a majority vote.
3. ORR has approved the proposal because it is satisfied that the changes to Chapter B of the ADR Rules will improve the flexibility of the dispute resolution process and, in turn, will benefit the industry. The approval of PfC 77 is consistent with ORR's section 4 duties.
4. In accordance with Condition C9.1.2 of the Network Code, the amendments to Chapter B of the ADR Rules shall have effect 14 days from the date of this notification.
5. In giving CRC notice of approval ORR also copies this letter and attached notice to all parties identified under Conditions A4.1 and C9.1.1 of the Network Code.
6. A copy of this letter, the approval notice and of the Proposal for Change will be placed on ORR's website. A copy of the approval notice will also be placed on ORR's public register.

Yours sincerely

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