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Hi John,

I just read this very interesting article about NRE and their misuse of the real-time UK passenger train data service known as Darwin: <http://j.mp/XQba5M> [\*]

As a software developer operating in the UK it horrifies me that public data is being wielded in this way for private gain, and to bully innovative software developers into submission and to silence legitimate debate on the subject.

The Darwin system should be brought under the control of Network Rail, or another government agency, and access should be opened up to anyone who wants to make use of it. Until this happens, the British travelling public are ultimately the ones who are suffering and missing out under the current regime, as they will not reap the benefits of significantly improved services related to our rail network.

Best Regards

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[\*<https://mocko.org.uk/b/2013/02/22/you-cant-use-the-live-uk-train-data-without-accepting-a-gagging-clause/>]