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Private Wagon Federation

Rupika,

Thank you including the PWF in this consultation which we discussed at our recent General Meeting.

Many of our members have wagons fitted with "track friendly" bogies and do sometimes modify wagons to fit this type of bogie to take advantage of the reduced track access charges. Some members do feel the differential in charges does not fully reflect the perceived reduction in track damage.

Our members welcome your proposals for supporting reduced track access charges immediately when wagons are modified to fit more track friendly bogies. This form of investment does take many years to repay so it is essential that the differential in charges for less damaging suspensions does continue into CP5 and beyond. This is only natural justice. Our members do not object to "bespoke" deals as long as they do not frustrate competition and are available for scrutiny so our members can be assured there is not a distortion from the published access charges regime.

Regards,

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