NETWORK and VEHICLE CHANGE COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting No.7

held at Kings Cross on 24 January 2001

Present: Bryan Driver (Chairman)

Tony Deighan Chris Dickinson Bob Goundry Tim Robinson Nigel Oatway Peter Over

Apologies: Steve Hawkes

Nick Hortin

In attendance: Chris Blackman

Martin Shrubsole

7/1 Introduction

The Chairman welcomed Tim Robinson as newly appointed alternate to Grahame Cooper.

7/2 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of meeting no.6 held at Kings Cross on 23 October 2000 were approved without modification. The Chairman signed a copy of the minutes as a true record of the proceedings. A copy of the approved minutes will be circulated to all Industry Parties.

7/3 Record of Hearing of reference no. NV7

The Record of the Hearing of reference NV7 on 25 July 2000 was approved subject to a minor modification. The Chairman signed a copy, as modified, as a true account of the proceedings. In accordance with procedures a copy of the Record will be circulated to members of the Committee, to the parties that attended the hearing, and those other parties directly interested.

7/4 Record of Hearing of references nos. NV8, 9, 10, 12 and 13

The Record of the Hearing of references NV8, 9, 10, 12 and 13 on 6, 12, 26 September and 6 October 2000 was approved subject to a minor modification. The Chairman signed a copy, as modified, as a true account of the proceedings.

7/5 Record of Hearing of reference nos. NV15 and 16

The Record of the Hearing of reference NV15 and 16 on 23 October 2000 was approved subject to some minor modifications. The Chairman signed a copy, incorporating these agreed modifications as a true account of the proceedings.

7/6 Matters arising from the previous meeting

5/3: Review of response from the parties to reference NV7

Members noted that the parties had reached agreement on the issue of Network Change compensation, and that discussions were continuing in respect of the continued delivery of Access Rights following implementation of the Network Change.

7/7 Hearing of References nos. NV17 and NV18

The Committee formally commenced a hearing of references NV17 (from English Welsh & Scottish Railway) and NV18 (from Freightliner), each submitted jointly with Railtrack.

The Committee debated whether or not to hear these references together or separately, and concluded that, as the subject was the same and the written arguments so similar, that they would hear them together.

The Committee completed a hearing of the references and issued determinations NV17 and NV18. A copy of each of these is attached.

7/8 Status of other references to the Committee

The Secretary advised Members that the status of other references to the Committee was as follows:-

NV14 Discussions between the parties are continuing, and are expected shortly to reach a conclusion to the mutual satisfaction of both parties.

7/9 Date of next meeting

To be arranged.