TIMETABLING SUB-COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting No.12 held at Euston House on 25th October 1996

Present: Bryan Driver, (Chairman)

Geoff Appleby Dominic Booth Stephen Cornish Tony Crabtree Mike Romans Paul Richardson

In attendance: Chris Blackman, Secretary

Martin Shrubsole, Alternate Secretary

Apologies: Des Bowes and Martin Idale

12/1 Minutes of Meeting No.9

The minutes of the 9th meeting on 1st July 1996 were approved; The Chairman signed the approved minutes which will be retained on file. A copy will be circulated to all industry parties.

12/2 Approval of Record of Consideration of Representations on 1.7.96

The Committee approved the record of consideration of the representations made to it at the meeting on 1st July 1996, and agreed that a copy would be circulated to those Industry Parties who had responded to the original circular issued by the Secretariat.

12/3 Hearing of Reference No.21

The Committee resumed its deliberations, adjourned from the previous meeting, and considered the additional papers obtained. The Determination of the Committee is attached.

12/4 Hearing of Reference No.22

The Committee formally heard reference No.22 from Regional Railways North East. The Determination of the Committee is attached.

12/5 Reference No.19

The Secretary reported that he had been advised that the dispute between Anglia Trains and Railtrack had been resolved by the principal parties concerned, and agreement obtained from a third party whose trains were affected.

12/6 Reference No.20

The Secretary reported that the dispute between North London Railways and Railtrack had been resolved. The parties had agreed a process to validate the application of the timing loads which was the basis of the dispute.

12/7 Reference No.23

The Secretary reported that the dispute between Central Trains and Railtrack had been resolved. The parties had agreed a partial implementation of the Train Operator's requirements and a comprehensive review of the Rules of the Route to take place in preparation for the Summer 1998 Timetable. Central Trains had withdrawn Reference no.23.

12/8 Reference No.26

The Committee was advised that this dispute, concerned with a Railtrack Headquarters document containing directions related to the Winter 1997/98 Rules of the Plan, had now been settled between South Wales & West and Railtrack. Tony Crabtree and Geoff Appleby, who were the principal agents for the respective parties, tabled a memorandum recording the basis of the resolution of the dispute.

The Committee was pleased to learn that the matter had been resolved and confirmed that it would give the formal direction to Railtrack as requested by the parties to amend the wording in the document. Railtrack undertook to comply with the direction and to reissue the document as part of the Bidding Information on 15th November 1996. The Committee agreed that, in the circumstances, it was unnecessary to issue a determination.

The Committee noted that the revised wording of the document complied with recent and pending changes to the Access Conditions. However, the document will need to be reviewed after the hearing due to take place on 28th October.

12/9 Reference No.25

It was noted that Regional Railways North East wished to have a lawyer in attendance. The Chairman commented that this was permissible in accordance with Dispute Resolution Rule A5.9.3, but he would rule that, whilst a legal adviser was entitled to advise the client during the proceedings, such adviser would not be permitted to address the committee directly.

12/10 Date of next meeting

Monday 28th October commencing at 10.00 in Euston House.