TIMETABLING COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting No.51

held at Kings Cross on 4 March 2004

Present: Bryan Driver (Chairman)

Geoff Appleby Mark Beck Nigel Oatway Robin Nelson Graham Owen Paul Richardson

In attendance: Chris Blackman

Martin Shrubsole

Apologies: Tony Crabtree

Brian Rowley

51/1 Minutes of meeting no.50

The minutes of meeting no.50, held on 29 January 2004, were approved without modification. The Chairman signed a set of the approved minutes, which will be retained on file. A copy will be circulated to all Industry Parties.

51/2 Record of Hearing of reference ttc203

The Committee approved, subject to some minor modifications, the Record of the Hearing of reference ttc203 on 29 January 2004. The Chairman signed a copy, duly modified, as a correct record. Circulation of the approved record will be in accordance with the laid down procedures, i.e. to Committee Members/Alternates and to those parties concerned in this particular case.

51/3 Matters arising from the minutes of meeting no.50

There were no matters arising other than those placed on the agenda.

51/4 Hearing of Reference ttc205

The Committee formally heard reference ttc205 from English Welsh & Scottish Railway. The determination no.205 of the Committee is attached.

51/5 Other references submitted to the Committee

The Secretary advised Members that the current position on other references submitted to the Committee was as follows:

Version 2 of the Rules of the Route/Plan in respect of 2004

ttc187 from EWS: hearing to be arranged when submissions received;

Version 3 of the Rules of the Route/Plan in respect of 2004

ttc197 from EWS: the issues are resolved and EWS has withdrawn the reference;

Rules of the Route for 2003/04: Railtrack decision relating to Weeks 50/51

ttc207 from ScotRail Railways: further discussions took place between the parties to resolve the issues and ScotRail then withdrew the reference;

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ttc201 from EWS: further discussions are taking place between EWS and Network Rail in an effort to resolve the issues; any unresolved elements will be the subject of a hearing in February 2004;

ttc202 from Freightliner Heavy Haul: further discussions have taken place, and, if unresolved, a hearing will take place later in March 2004;

Version 4 of the Rules of the Route/Plan in respect of 2004

ttc206 from ScotRail Railways: further discussions took place between the parties to resolve the issues and ScotRail then withdrew the reference:

ttc208 from Freightliner: following resolution of the issues in dispute, Freightliner withdrew the reference:

ttc209 from Great Western Trains: further discussions took place between the parties, and GWT subsequently withdrew the reference;

ttc210 from Arriva Trains Northern: further discussions took place between the parties, and ATN subsequently withdrew the reference;

Version 2 of the Rules of the Route/Plan in respect of 2005

A number of references have been submitted in respect of Network Rail's decision in February on the subject of the Rules of the Route/Plan for 2005. Network Rail is currently considering its position in relation to comments concerning the size of the documentation and the difficulties that Train Operators are experiencing in analysing it within the prescribed time allowed. The Committee Secretary is waiting for a strategic response from Network Rail, expected imminently, before formally proceeding to register the references and advise timescales for preparing submissions.

51/6 Any Other Business

There was no other business.

51/7 Date of next meeting

To be advised.