NETWORK and VEHICLE CHANGE COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting No.19

held at Kings Cross on 8 and 23 December 2003

Present: Tony Holland (Chairman)

Steve Carter Chris Hassall Peter Heubeck Nigel Oatway Mike Scott Mike Vila

Apologies: Nick Hortin, Geoff Sandberg

In attendance: Chris Blackman

Martin Shrubsole

19/1 Introduction

The Chairman welcomed Steve Carter to his first meeting of the Committee as Member representing the Non-Franchised Passenger Class.

19/2 Minutes of meeting no.18

The minutes of meeting no.18, held at Kings Cross on 12 November 2003, were approved subject to minor modification. The Chairman signed a copy of the minutes, duly modified, as a true record of the proceedings. A copy of the approved minutes will be circulated to all Industry Parties.

19/3 Record of Hearing of References nos. NV47, 50, 51 and 52

The Record of Hearing of References nos. NV47, 50, 51 and 52 on 12 November 2003, was approved subject to a number of minor modifications. The Chairman signed a copy of the Record, duly modified, as a true record of the proceedings. In accordance with procedures a copy of the approved Record will be circulated to members of the Committee and to the parties to the dispute.

19/4 Matters arising from the previous meeting

There were no matters arising.

19/5 Hearing of Reference no. NV53

The Committee formally heard joint reference NV53 from ScotRail Railways and Network Rail. The determination NV53 of the Committee is attached.

19/6 Update on references

The Secretary reported that the position on outstanding references received was as follows:

- nv54 ScotRail Railways has given notification of a reference in respect of revenue losses occasioned by Network Changes;
- nv55 English Welsh & Scottish Railway has given notification of a reference about Network Change on the Great Western Main Line;
- nv56 Silverlink Train Services: a reference, concerning works programmed for the Late Spring Bank Holiday weekend arising from the WCRM Major Project notice, was withdrawn following constructive discussions between the parties.

19/7 Any Other Business

There was no other business.

19/8 Dates of meetings in 2004

Members agreed a programme of dates to be 'earmarked' for meetings in 2004 as follows:

Wednesday 21 January	Tuesday 17 February
Tuesday 16 March	Tuesday 20 April
Tuesday 27 April	Tuesday 18 May
Tuesday 15 June	Tuesday 22 June
Tuesday 13 July	Tuesday 17 August
Tuesday 7 September	Tuesday 21 September
Tuesday 5 October	Tuesday 19 October
Tuesday 9 November	Tuesday 21 December

This would not prevent the Secretary from seeking additional dates if the Committee's workload so demanded.

19/9 Date of next meeting

Wednesday 21 January 2004.