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TRACK ACCESS RIGHTS ON THE EAST COAST MAIN LINE

Further to Brian Kogan's letter of 29th February, I enclose Hull Trains aspirations as you have requested. For ease of reference, these are set out as four individual proposals (Annexes 1-4) as follows:-

1. Hull Trains existing services and rights Access Agreement extension to 2020+. It is hoped that this will be by Section 22 joint application with Network Rail.
2. Hull Trains existing contingent rights converted to firm rights from 2008 and one additional return Sunday path to deal with crowding and demand from May 2008. Consultation on this latter proposal is already in progress.
3. A new service between Harrogate and London, initially providing three to four services per day in each direction. This is intended to include the creation of park and ride access at Starbeck and Cattal, and a possible dedicated guaranteed bus link between Cattal station and Wetherby town centre (10 minutes journey, 7 miles) to put Wetherby back on the rail map.
4. A new service, initially of four return trips per day between Lincolnshire and London, via Sleaford and Spading, including a possible new park and ride station to serve Boston. Some services to be extended to Grimsby.

Yours sincerely



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Annex HT 1

Aspirations for access rights on the East Coast Main Line

Train Operator
1. Hull Trains
Start date and duration of rights requested
2010-2020/2025 (10-15 years)
Service origin and destination
Hull and London King's Cross
Routing : Selby & ECML
Calling Pattern (standard and additional calls)
Hull-Brough-Howden-Selby-Doncaster-Retford-Grantham-(Stevenage)-King's Cross
Stevenage as an additional call
Number of services and days of operation
Minimum 7 as now and up to 9 Daily
Approximate departure times or intervals from station of origin
2-hourly from 06xx
Station dwell times
1-2 mins (ave)
Minimum turnaround time at destination
40 mins KX 7 mins Hull

Required journey time
2h40m max 2h30m fastest
Earliest and latest trains
06xx-20xx southbound 06xx-22xx northbound
Ancillary / ECS moves
Hull-Crofton King's Cross- Ferme Park/Bounds Green/Hornsey
Stabling arrangements
Hull Station/King's Cross station & Crofton Depot
Rolling stock type
Class 22x/ Class 180
Maintenance depots
Crofton
Crew change locations
Hull
Any additional specifications required of the service
Any relevant additional information

Annex HT 2

Aspirations for access rights on the East Coast Main Line

Train Operator 2. Hull Trains
Start date and duration of rights requested
2008-2010
Service origin and destination
Hull and London King's Cross
Routing : Selby & ECML
Calling Pattern (standard and additional calls)
Hull-Brough-Howden-Selby-Doncaster-Retford-Grantham-(Stevenage)-King's Cross
Stevenage as an additional call
Number of services and days of operation
7 SX as current and convert all rights to firm rights 5 SAT as current and convert all rights to firm rights 5 SUN (NB Supplemental TAA in consultation for one additional return path) and convert all rights to firm rights.
Approximate departure times or intervals from station of origin
As now, plus one additional Sunday return service 1212 Hull-King's Cross and 1605 King's Cross-Hull
Station dwell times
1-2 mins (ave)

Minimum turnaround time at destination
40 mins KX 7 mins Hull
Required journey time
2h40m
Earliest and latest trains
06xx-20xx southbound 07xx-22xx northbound
Ancillary / ECS moves
Crofton – Hull King's Cross- Ferme Park/Bounds Green/Hornsey
Stabling arrangements
Hull Station/King's Cross Station & Crofton Depot
Rolling stock type
Class 180/222
Maintenance depots
Crofton
Crew change locations
Hull/King's Cross
Any additional specifications required of the service
Any relevant additional information

Annex HT 3

Aspirations for access rights on the East Coast Main Line

Train Operator 3. Hull Trains (Great Northern Service Group)
Start date and duration of rights requested 2009-2020+
Service origin and destination Harrogate and London King's Cross
Routing : Knaresborough & ECML (and where possible Horsforth, Garforth & ECML)
Calling Pattern (standard and additional calls) Harrogate-Knaresborough-Cattal-Hammerton-Poppleton-York-Doncaster - (Stevenage)-King's Cross and Harrogate-Pannal-Horsforth-Leeds-Garforth-Doncaster- (Stevenage)-King's Cross Stevenage as an additional call
Number of services and days of operation Minimum 3 -4 as proposed and up to 6 Daily
Approximate departure times or intervals from station of origin Southbound 0715 (earlier if possible) 1030, 1445 Northbound 1050, 1405, 1918
Station dwell times 1-2 mins (ave)

Minimum turnaround time at destination
40 mins KX 7 mins Harrogate
Required journey time
2h45m
Earliest and latest trains
06xx-20xx southbound 07xx-22xx northbound
Ancillary / ECS moves
Crofton – Harrogate and King's Cross- Ferme Park/Bounds Green/Hornsey
Stabling arrangements
Harrogate Station/King's Cross station & Crofton Depot
Rolling stock type
Class 180
Maintenance depots
Crofton
Crew change locations
Harrogate & London King's Cross
Any additional specifications required of the service
Possible limited path sharing with Hull Trains services, with attachment of units at Selby or Retford
Any relevant additional information

Annex HT 4

Aspirations for access rights on the East Coast Main Line

<p>Train Operator</p> <p>4. Hull Trains (Great Northern Service Group)</p>
<p>Start date and duration of rights requested</p> <p>2010-2020</p>
<p>Service origin and destination</p> <p>Lincoln (Grimsby) and London King's Cross</p>
<p>Routing : Grimsby-Market Rasen-Lincoln-Spalding-London King's Cross</p>
<p>Calling Pattern (standard and additional calls)</p> <p>Cleethorpes, Grimsby, Barnetby, Market Rasen, Lincoln, Sleaford, Donnington Parkway (new station), Spalding, Peterborough, Huntingdon, Stevenage.</p>
<p>Number of services and days of operation</p> <p>Minimum 4 and up to 8 Daily Lincoln-London Daily</p> <p>2-3 services extended to/from Grimsby</p>
<p>Approximate departure times or intervals from station of origin</p> <p>Southbound from Lincoln 07xx 09xx 12xx 16xx</p> <p>Northbound 08xx, 10xx, 15xx, 19xx</p>
<p>Station dwell times</p> <p>1-2 mins (ave)</p>

Minimum turnaround time at destination
40 mins KX 7 mins Lincoln
Required journey time
1h50m Lincoln-London
Earliest and latest trains
06xx-20xx southbound 07xx-22xx northbound
Ancillary / ECS moves
Crofton – Lincoln and King's Cross- Ferme Park/Bounds Green/Hornsey
Stabling arrangements
Lincoln/Cleethorpes Station/King's Cross station & Crofton Depot
Rolling stock type
Class 180
Maintenance depots
Crofton
Crew change locations
Harrogate
Any additional specifications required of the service
Any relevant additional information