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Dear Mr. Bengough

Disability Discrimination Act: Section 47 Exemption Application by London Underground Ltd

Thank you for letter of 23rd February 2011, regarding the proposed Section 47 Exemption Application by London Underground Ltd.

In considering these requests for exemption we have recognised that London Underground operates a very high frequency railway carrying large numbers of passengers.

- 1 Schedule 1, Part 1: General Requirements, Paragraph 3(5)(b), Audible Door Closure Warnings
- 2 Schedule 1, Part 1: General Requirements, Paragraph 4(2) Visual Door Warning Indicators

We are happy to support these temporary exemptions whilst new trains are introduced. However, this should not be taken as support for a permanent exemption. We would like to be involved in the review which will occur at the end of the period.

3 Schedule 1, Part 1: General Requirements, Paragraph 11(5)
Announcements to be made whilst at a station

We accept the operational reasons for this exemption.

4 Schedule 1, Part 1: General Requirements, Paragraph 1(2)
Boarding devices at wheelchair accessible doorways

We accept this request for these exemptions, but if any of those three stations where work has been deferred due to financial constraints, were to be step free to the platform prior to this date we would expect this exemption to be reviewed

Yours sincerely

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