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Sent: 04 August 2011 15:49

To: John Bengough

Subject: RE: Cairngorm Funicular Railway - accessibility requirements

#### Hello John,

Having discussed this with colleagues, we do not envisage any safety implications and have no objections to the exemption(s) or any time constraints.

# Kind regards,

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From: Neville Hill

Sent: 01 August 2011 10:45 To: Paul Bradley; Vincent Fowler

Cc: Mansel Williams; John Ford; Peter McGuinness

Subject: FW: Cairngorm Funicular Railway - accessibility requirements

Paul, Vince, can you respond to John Bengough please.

### **Thanks**

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#### **Neville P Hill**

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From: John Bengough [mailto:John.Bengough@dft.gsi.gov.uk]

Sent: 29 July 2011 13:27

To: Neville Hill

**Subject:** Cairngorm Funicular Railway - accessibility requirements

Neville, I've been given your name by a colleague at the Office of Rail Regulation, who has explained that HSE, and not ORR, enforces safety on cableways such as CFR.

When it began operating 9 years ago, the CFR was granted exemptions (attached) from two parts of Rail Vehicle Accessibility Regulations (for which I am policy lead). Those exemptions expire at the end of this year, and the operator has applied to extend them indefinitely (application attached). The Minister is minded to do so.

I should welcome, however, HSE's views on whether this application would have any safety implications.

I would appreciate a response by 12 August 2011 – though a response sooner would be appreciated. It is normal practice for the response to be placed on the Department's website.

Many thanks - and happy to discuss.

## Regards

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