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Sent: 03 June 2011 13:10 **To:** John Bengough

Subject: London Underground application for exemptions from RVAR2010 for S7 stock

Dear Mr Bengough,

Thank you for giving ORR the opportunity to comment on London Underground's application for exemptions from elements of The Rail Vehicle Accessibility (Non-interoperable Rail System) Regulations 2010 for S7 stock. The proposed exemptions do not have implications for safety, nor do they affect ORR's ability to enforce against the unaffected provisions of RVAR. However, ORR recommends that the exemption from paragraph 1 (the provision of ramps for wheelchair access) be limited in duration for all stations, and suggests an expiry date of 31 December 2016 for those stations currently identified as requiring an 'untimed temporary exemption'. ORR believes that a regular review of circumstances where LU asserts that it has grounds for not complying with the legislation is necessary, and that limiting the duration of the exemption will achieve this.

Yours sincerely,

Giles Turner

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