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Dear colleague

Section 18 New Track Access Contract between Rail Express Systems Ltd and Seilwaith Amey Cymru / Amey Infrastructure Wales Ltd

Seilwaith Amey Cymru / Amey Infrastructure Wales Ltd (AIW) and Rail Express Systems Ltd (RES) are proposing to submit an application to the ORR, under Section 18 of the Railways Act 1993, to enter a new Charter Track Access Contract.

AIW is conducting this industry consultation, on behalf of RES, to enter into this new Track Access Contract, to permit the operation of RES charter services of the Core Valley Lines (CVL) network.

Attached are:

- The proposed CVL Track Access Contract between AIW and RES, showing tracked changes to indicate differences to the ORR Model Contract.
- The CVL Form P
- Annex 1 to the CVL Form P, which provides explanation of the differences between the CVL Track Access Contract and the ORR Model Contract
- The proposed CVL Track Access Contract between AIW, without tracked changes for ease of reading

This notification together with a copy of the proposed CVL Track Access Contract and the associated CVL Form P are also available at our "Consultation Centre" here: <https://tfwrail.wales/about-us/consultation-centre>

You do not need to respond if you do not have any comments. However, should you wish to comment upon this proposed agreement, then please do so no later than **24 January 2022**.

Please provide your responses to: CVLTrackAccess@amey.co.uk and copied to Quentin.hederly@deutschebahn.com. All responses will also be copied to the ORR.

If you are no longer the appropriate contact within your organisation to receive this consultation, please advise so that I may update our records.

Further information regarding the CVL network is available here: <https://tfwrail.wales/about-us/core-valley-lines-infrastructure-manager>

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further questions.

With thanks

Gary