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Dear Paul,

Heathrow Airport Limited (HAL) Network Statement, 2027

I am writing to conclude ORR's review of HAL's latest Network Statement, as required of us under *The Railways (Access, Management and Licensing of Railway Undertakings) Regulations 2016* ("the 2016 Regulations").

We commented on your provisional version, on which you consulted between September and November 2025, and have reviewed your *Network Statement 2027*, published in November 2025. As with last year, your early engagement prior to your consultation on the statement was very helpful.

We note in particular your prompt responses to our comments and the changes made reflecting them in your 2027 Network Statement. You have made the changes we suggested and in view of that that we have no further comment on this edition.

We look forward to engagement on your 2028 Network Statement next year. We have noted that the Heathrow Spur is exempt from the access and licensing regimes of the Railways Act 1993 through The Railways (Heathrow Express) (Exemptions) Order 1994, until 23 June 2028. As a result, we envisage the 2028 Network Statement may need some significant revisions. We welcome your offer of engagement early in 2026 on potential changes to the Heathrow Spur regulatory framework in 2028.

In line with our commitment to transparency, we will publish this letter on our website.

Yours sincerely



David Reed