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To whom it may concern,

## Revocation of Declaration of Congested Infrastructure: Midland Mainline (Leicester to Cricklewood via Market Harborough and Corby) 2014

The above declaration of congested infrastructure was made in accordance with The Railways Infrastructure (Access and Management) Regulations 2005<sup>1</sup> in 2014. Upon review of this matter the restrictions and issues that contributed to the initial declaration being made are no longer present. As such it is Network Rail's view that the identified areas of the network should no longer be declared as congested.

This notice is to advise that Network Rail intends to revoke the declaration on the basis that:

- New infrastructure has been delivered which has increased the capacity of the Midland Mainline (from the position it was in in 2014)
- Additional services for both passenger and freight have been accommodated since 2015
- No Access Proposals from Timetable Participants were declined within the December 2022, May 2023 or December 2023 timetables on capacity allocation grounds.
- No new access applications for the Midland Mainline have been declined through the Sale of Access Rights process.
- The issues that arose which led to the declaration being made are no longer present.

As per the Management of Congested Infrastructure Code of Practice (March 2024) any representations regarding this matter will need to be received by Network Rail within 5 working days after this advice note is given.

This revocation would take effect from the Timetable Change Date in June 2024.

Yours faithfully,

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Since superseded by The Railways (Access, Management and Licensing of Railway Undertakings) Regulations 2016