Great Missenden Haul Road

– Assurances offered to Buckinghamshire Country Council after House of Commons

1. The Secretary of State will require the nominated undertaker to cooperate with Buckinghamshire County Council in order for the Council to develop proposals for an alternative haul road alignment at Great Missenden. That cooperation will include, amongst other things:

- provision of information about the current haul road and any alternatives considered;
- provision of information about any relevant technical and design standards; and
- discussion of alternative proposals, including environmental affects, timetabling, cost estimates and constructibility.

2. The Secretary of State will require the nominated undertaker to implement an alternative haul road alignment at Great Missenden subject to:

- Buckinghamshire County Councils alternative proposals being agreed with the nominated undertaker to a timetable consistent with the overall railway construction programme, with that agreement not to be unreasonably withheld;
- the alternative proposals not creating new significant adverse environmental effects that cannot be mitigated or reducing the effectiveness of existing mitigation, except by the agreed provision of an alternative;
- Buckinghamshire County Council securing all necessary additional powers and permissions to a timetable consistent with the overall railway construction programme; and
- the alternative scheme not increasing the cost of the haul road, and not impacting the economic, timely and safe construction of the railway. The calculation of the full lifecycle costs of the haul road shall be provided by the nominated undertaker to the Council within 28 days of the date of this Assurance.

