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Dear

## The Railways (Interoperability) Regulations 2011 – Class 465/0 and 465/1 - 2020 accessibility deadline

Regulation 45 of the Railways (Interoperability) Regulations 2011<sup>1</sup> (RIR 2011) makes it unlawful for a passenger rail vehicle to be used in service on the trans-European rail system in the UK after 31 December 2019 unless it complies with the Technical Specification for Interoperability - Persons with Reduced Mobility (PRM TSI) (and/or defined domestic accessibility standards<sup>2</sup>) except to the extent that:

- a. a derogation from part of the PRM TSI has been granted under Regulation 14 of RIR 2011;
- b. a determination that part of the PRM TSI does not apply has been made under Regulation 13(8) of RIR 2011; or
- c. a dispensation that part of the PRM TSI does not apply has been granted under Regulation 46 of RIR 2011.

This is a dispensation (effective from the date of this letter) made under Regulation 46(4) of the RIR 2011, granting that the vehicles listed in Annex A, which form the sub-fleet of trains known as Class 465/0 and 465/1 need not comply after 31 December 2019 with those parts of the PRM TSI 2008 listed in Annex B. This follows consultation with DPTAC<sup>3</sup>.

For the avoidance of doubt, a separate derogation or determination made under point a) or b) above would be required for any vehicle listed in Annex A that undergoes an upgrade or renewal that requires an authorisation under RIR 2011 after this dispensation is granted.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> SI 3066/2011

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Rail Vehicle Accessibility (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2001 or Part 1 of Schedule 1 to the Rail Vehicle Accessibility (Non-Interoperable Rail System) Regulations 2010

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Disabled Persons' Transport Advisory Committee

I have copied this dispensation to the ORR for their information.

Yours sincerely,

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signed by the authority of the Secretary of State

## <u>Annex A</u>

Unit Number	Vehicle Numbers
465 001 to 465 050	64759–64858, 72028-72127
465 151 to 465 197	65800–65893, 72900-72993

## Annex B

4.2.2.4.2.1 (final	Height of door control buttons
para)	
	Visual door closure indicator – illumination cessation
4.2.2.4.2.2 (para 1)	on closure
4.2.2.4.1 (para 4)	Arrangement of door open and close buttons
4.2.2.5	Vehicle access step illumination
4.2.2.8.3 para 1	Lack of bodyside passenger information displays
4.2.2.12.1	Platform step/gap
	Height of step riser between external step and
4.2.2.12.2	vestibule
	Distance between back of Priority Seat and
4.2.2.2.2.1 (para 6)	seatback
4.2.2.8.2.1 (para 1	Design of safety, warning and mandatory signage
and 2)	
4.2.2.8.3 (para 16)	Passenger Information System RASTI levels
4.2.2.4.3.1 (para 6)	Height of interior door button control