



## FREIGHT TRANSPORT ASSOCIATION

### Respondent Information Form and Questions

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approach via engagement with industry stakeholders (crucially including representatives of shippers not just providers).

Section 3.19 makes reference to the McNulty Rail Value for Money Report and possible constitutional change that may affect Scotland's relationship with the rest of the current UK. In relation to McNulty, I attach FTA's response to that study. As regards any issues affecting rail freight or logistics more generally resulting from potential constitutional change we would expect politicians to deal with these in a manner that does not adversely impact upon Scotland's supply chain connections to the rest of Britain nor wider to the rest of Europe or Globally. It must be remembered that for an export led nation, Scotland's route to market is via the southern gateway ports of England, accessed largely by rail or coastal feeder shipping services and ease of access to these needs to be protected in any changed relationship of Scotland with England.

In connection with the above, Sections 2.20 and 2.21 deal with the Initial Industry Plan (IIP) and how it will feed into the next HLOS for CP5 2014 - 2019. In regard to this I attach FTA's response to that.

I hope that you will find these comments useful. Please do not hesitate to contact us to discuss further any aspect of our response.

Yours sincerely



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