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Rail 2014,
Transport Scotland,
Buchanan House,
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Dear Sirs,

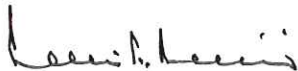
DIRECT RAIL SERVICE FROM THE SOUTH TO ABERDEEN

In response to your consultation, I am writing to say that I am a regular user of the sleeper service from Kirkcaldy to London Euston, and the return daytime journey from London King's Cross to Kirkcaldy.

At present, it is more convenient to travel from my home to London by rail, but if the sleeper were to be discontinued and the return journey involve a change at Edinburgh Waverley, I would probably return to making the journey by air. Occasionally when I have had to catch a later train home it has involved a change at Edinburgh, and lateness of the northbound train has frequently meant missed connections. Likewise, the journey south by sleeper would be much less convenient if it meant a change in Edinburgh.

I should therefore like you to record my objection to any withdrawal of the present direct service.

Yours faithfully,



Iain F. Paton