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Date: 28 November 2025

Attn: REDACTED, Partner

Email: REDACTED

Dear REDACTED,

**Award of Contract for the Provision of Legal Advisers for DfT's Public Ownership Programme**  
**Contract Reference: P4104111**

I am pleased to inform you that your company has been selected for a Direct Award for the Provision of Legal Advisers for DfT's Public Ownership Programme and therefore we would like to award the contract to you.

The call-off contract shall commence on the 24<sup>th</sup> November 2025 and the expiry date will be 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2026 for a period of nine months including an option to extend by three months to 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2026 (subject to internal approval via the DfT governance process). The total contract value will be up to £3,500,000.00 excluding VAT.

This direct award supersedes the existing call-off contract (Ref: P4104001) for Legal Advisers – OLR Holdings, which is due to expire on 30 June 2026. A formal termination notice will be issued to bring the current call-off contract to a close.

Please ensure that all outstanding invoices are submitted by the end of this month to facilitate the closure of the existing contract. A new purchase order will be issued in connection with this direct award call-off contract.

This Direct Award is being offered under Panel RM6204 Rail Legal Services Framework and the Panel Terms and Conditions shall apply. A copy of the contract is provided with this Award Letter and includes those Panel Terms and Conditions.

Please would you print and sign a copy of this Letter of Appointment with the acknowledgement signed by a partner of your firm and return via email.

Should you have any queries regarding this or any other matter please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Yours faithfully

Signed for and on behalf of the Department for Transport

Name: REDACTED, Commercial Relationship Manager

Signature:

REDACTED

Date: 7<sup>th</sup> November 2025

I hereby confirm receipt of the above Letter of Appointment and the agreement of Eversheds Sutherland (International) LLP provide to the Department for Transport (DfT) the Services as specified in the Letter of Appointment.

Signed on behalf of Eversheds Sutherland (International) LLP:

Signature:

REDACTED

Title: Partner

Date: 28/11/2025