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Dear Mr Verster

Scotrail Alliance

You will recall that when you gave oral evidence to the Infrastructure and Capital Investment Committee on 17 June regarding the Committee's work on accessing Scotland's major urban railway stations, you provided some information on the background to the Scotrail Alliance.

You indicated that the Alliance had been formed between the Abellio ScotRail train-operating franchise and Network Rail Scotland, bringing together the two businesses under one senior management team and one managing director. You made clear that you were able to speak on behalf of both businesses during the evidence session. Further to that evidence session, the Committee would find it helpful if you were able to provide the following, more detailed information on the nature and operation of the Alliance:

- Details of the formal agreement between Abellio Scotrail and Network Rail on lines of responsibility;
- How the Scotrail Alliance partners will develop and agree strategic policy direction and priorities;
- Details of the governance arrangements that are in place for management and operational decisions made by the Scotrail Alliance; and
- How the different operational responsibilities of Abellio Scotrail and Network Rail Scotland will be co-ordinated and managed.

I look forward to receiving this additional information.

Yours sincerely

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Convener