ACCESS DISPUTE RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

MINUTES of MEETING No. 37

held at Kings Cross on 14th July 1999

Present:

Bryan Driver, Chairman Tim Clarke (Anglia Railways) Grahame Cooper (Railtrack) Tony Deighan (Eurostar (U.K.)) Geoff Knight (Railtrack) Nigel Oatway (English Welsh & Scottish Railway) Bob Goundry (Freightliner) Mike Price (ScotRail Railways)

Apologies:

Graham Eccles (South West Trains)

In attendance:

Chris Blackman (Secretary) Martin Shrubsole (Clerk)

37/1 Minutes of meeting No.36

The minutes of meeting no.36 held on 24th June 1999 were approved without modification. The Chairman signed a copy of the minutes as a true record of the proceedings.

37/2 Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting

Minute 36/3 [35/4]: Budget: Committee Insurance

The Secretary reported that, after a joint assessment, by the Secretariats of Access Dispute Resolution Committee and RIDR, of the Committees assets, Edge Tancred, the Insurance Brokers recommended by Wragge & Co. had obtained a best quote of \pounds 539; this would be apportioned equally between the two committees.

Members endorsed this and asked the Secretary to proceed to finalise the matter on this basis. Action: The Secretary

Minute 36/7: Membership fee for the Centre for Dispute Resolution

The secretary reported that the fee had been paid accompanied by a note to Walter Thomas pointing out that CEDR had still not attempted to give any rational information to explain the extraordinary level of increase in the Membership Subscription.

37/3 Update on References

The Secretary reported that reference nv5 was still outstanding and he was awaiting a formal note from Connex as to the timescales for proceeding.

Action: The Secretary

37/4 Hearing of joint Reference AD17

The Committee formally commenced a hearing of Reference AD17 by considering a joint submission from Northern Spirit and Railtrack and heard statements from the parties.

The Committee quickly came to the view that there was evidence that the matter had not yet been properly and thoroughly discussed by the parties.

Accordingly the Committee declined to proceed further or to issue any Determination, but instead advised the parties to retire and carefully review their positions, to conduct further dialogue, and if any matters remained unresolved, to submit a fresh joint reference of dispute to the Committee.

37/5 Date of next meeting

There being no dispute references outstanding no date was set for the next meeting other than the planned quarterly meeting on 8th September 1999.