### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2015 No. 851

# The Freedom of Information (Designation as Public Authorities) Order 2015

### Citation, commencement and interpretation

- **1.**—(1) This Order may be cited as the Freedom of Information (Designation as Public Authorities) Order 2015.
  - (2) This Order comes into force on the day after the day on which it is made.
  - (3) In this Order—
    - (a) "the 1993 Act" means the Railways Act 1993(1);
    - (b) "light maintenance depots" has the meaning given by section 83 of the 1993 Act;
    - (c) "light maintenance services", "network services" and "station services" have the meaning given by section 82 of the 1993 Act; and
    - (d) "operator" and "railway asset" have the meaning given by section 6(2) of the 1993 Act.

### Persons designated as public authorities

- **2.**—(1) Subject to article 2(2), each person listed in column 1 of the table in the Schedule is designated as a public authority under section 5(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 with respect to the functions specified in the corresponding entry in column 2.
- (2) The functions in column 2 exclude any function in connection with which a person listed in column 1 makes a charge or obtains consideration of any kind, unless the purpose of exercising the function is to enable an operator to use or operate a railway asset.

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