



The Railway Forum

12 Grosvenor Place
London SW1X 7HH

Press Release

16 December 2005

Telephone: 020 7259 6543

Facsimile: 020 7259 6544

e-mail: railinfo@railwayforum.com

For immediate use

CHRIS GREEN AND RICHARD BROWN APPOINTED RAILWAY FORUM CHAIRMAN AND DEPUTY CHAIRMAN FOR 2006

The Railway Forum Council has unanimously agreed the reappointment of Chris Green as Chairman of The Railway Forum for a further year. At the same time they also agreed that Richard Brown, Chief Executive, Eurostar should take over as Deputy Chairman from Peter Rigby, Director UK, Angel Trains Ltd.

Chris Green said: 'I am delighted to be given the opportunity to serve another year as Chairman. The Railway Forum stands for the big ideas in an increasingly self-confident industry and I think that 2006, with the publication of the Eddington Transport Study report, will be a crucial year for us.'

Richard Brown said: 'I am very pleased to take up the appointment of Deputy Chairman and I pay particular tribute to the work that Peter Rigby has done over the past three years to guide the work of the Forum on behalf of the whole industry'.

-Ends-

Notes to Editors:

1. The Railway Forum is an industry-wide body sponsored by the majority of the train operating companies, Network Rail, all three major rolling stock leasing companies, the Passenger Transport Executives, London Underground, most of the infrastructure maintenance companies and many manufacturing and other businesses serving the UK rail industry. In all we have over 50 members. Our key role is to act as a think tank, information exchange and point of contact for those committed to and interested in our industry.
2. The Forum Council is led by a Chairman and Deputy Chairman approved by the Council membership on an annual basis.
3. The Eddington Transport Study is being undertaken by Sir Rod Eddington, following a request from the Secretary of State for Transport and the Chancellor, to advise on 'the long term impact of transport decisions on the UK's productivity, stability and growth'. The objective of the work is to help understand and identify exactly how transport supports economic growth. For further information visit www.dft.gov.uk or www.hm-treasury.gov.uk.
4. Biographical details:

Chris Green, Non-Executive Director, Network Rail:

Chris Green is one of the industry's best-known personalities. He is a career railwayman and joined British Rail as a graduate management trainee in 1965. Whilst with BR he held a wide range of posts including Managing Director Network SouthEast, InterCity and ScotRail and he spearheaded the modernisation of the Chiltern and Kent Line routes. He was previously a non-executive Director of Eurotunnel and, between 1996 and 1999, was a Director of GIBB Ltd, a non-executive Director of Connex Rail and served on the Advisory Board of Cranfield University. He was Chief Executive of English Heritage between 1995 and 1996. He was appointed Chief Executive of Virgin Trains in 1999, and Non-Executive Chairman of Virgin Rail Group Holdings in 2004 before moving to Network Rail as a Non-Executive Director in 2005.

Richard Brown, Chief Executive, Eurostar:

Richard Brown joined Eurostar as Chief Executive in August 2002. He has worked in the UK rail industry for over 25 years since joining British Rail in 1977. He progressed to Freightliners Limited, British Rail's container transport subsidiary, before becoming a Director in British Rail's InterCity division. He set up Midland Mainline Ltd as a subsidiary of British Rail and led the company through privatisation and sale to National Express. He worked for National Express Group from 1996 as Chief Executive, Trains and, latterly, as Group Commercial Director and Board member. Richard was also Chairman of the Association of Train Operating Companies (ATOC) in 2000 and 2001, during one of the most challenging periods for the UK rail industry.

Peter Rigby, Director UK, Angel Trains Ltd.:

Peter joined Angel in 1998, prior to which he spent six years with GEC Alstom, firstly as Business Development Director at Transportation Projects and latterly as Sales & Marketing Director of GEC Alstom Metro-Cammell. Peter began his career at Jaguar in 1966 and then continued in sales and marketing, working for Leyland Truck and Bus, Alder Valley Engineering Limited and West Midlands Travel Limited.

For more information call either Adrian Lyons at The Railway Forum:

Tel: 020 7259 6543 Fax: 020 7259 6544 Mobile: 07775 992348

E-mail: railinfo@railwayforum.com