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Dear Andrew,

Re: Station Commercial Project Facility (SCPF) – SCPF/T2/0013

Thank you very much for your application for Tranche 2 funding from the Station Commercial Project Facility.

51 bids were received totalling £153m for Tranche 2 funding and these have all been reviewed by the SCPF Steering Group with representatives from the Department for Transport (DfT) and Network Rail. The Steering Group then presented each bid (summarising the qualifying project criteria, essential criteria and additional preferred criteria) to the SCPF Awards Panel for the Panel members to determine the successful applications.

The SCPF Awards Panel members include; Alec McTavish, Director of Policy & Operations representing the Association of Train Operating Companies, Stuart Baker, Deputy Director Major Network Upgrades representing the DfT and Mike Goggin, Director Stations & Customer Service representing Network Rail.

I am pleased to inform you that your Tranche 2 revised application for Crewe has been given approval for £6,177,338.00 by the SCPF Awards Panel subject to the following:

1. the land required being leased to Network Rail for 99 years for a peppercorn rent
2. receipt of full planning permission prior to 13th January 2012 to enable this to be included in the West Coast ITT
3. the project being included within the station lease upon completion
4. investment authority approval by Network Rail

To support the franchise competition on the West Coast, the DfT intend to share your bid information via the IC West Coast data room, as part of this process which is covered by the confidentiality agreement with the DfT.

As Programme Sponsor, I will be submitting a request for full SCPF programme investment authority for all Tranche 2 funding to the Network Rail Investment Panel which meets on 24th November 2011. I will require the following to be completed by your nominated Network Rail Sponsor and confirmed to me by 11.00 on Friday 11th November:

- the set up of the Network Rail Oracle Projects (OP) number
- the uploading of the project estimate (PEST) into the Network Rail OP system
- the uploading of the annual budget in the Network Rail OP system

Please note that the PEST must reflect the project estimate less the amount contained within your application for contingency. The contingency for all Tranche 2 successful projects will be held centrally on a separate OP number by myself as Programme Sponsor. This will be released to projects once any request to draw down on the project contingency has been approved through the Network Rail Change Control process. Further details will follow on this once investment authority has been approved on 24th November 2011.

I have copied in your nominated Network Rail Sponsor and please can you now liaise directly with your Sponsor to progress the above request.

If you have any queries in relation to the above please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



Amanda Whiteman

Programme Sponsor, Station Commercial Project Facility

Cc Mick Butler, Assistant Commercial Scheme Sponsor, Network Rail