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Lord Adonis  
Secretary of State  
Department for Transport  
Great Minister House  
76 Marsham Street  
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Dear Secretary of State,

**Delivering commitment to investment in additional diesel railway carriages**

I understand the Chairs of the Integrated Transport Authorities recently wrote to you on the subject of additional orders for diesel rolling stock. This is also an issue of concern for the LGA Regeneration and Transport Board, and was raised with the Minister for Transport when he attended our January meeting.

The issue of overcrowding on commuter rail is one of central importance for councils. Additional rolling stock would remove a substantial barrier that currently stands in the way of concerted attempts to grow our core sub-regional economies, create jobs and lead the way to recovery

I do hope you will consider the case put by our colleagues in the Integrated Transport Authorities favourably.

Yours sincerely,

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Chairman, LGA Regeneration and Transport Board

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