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Dear Mr Lee

I refer to the attached report prepared by the Co-ordinator General of Rail regarding wrought iron bridges and other structures.

The report includes a number of recommendations regarding the ongoing inspection, maintenance and management of rail infrastructure.

The Chair of the Rail Infrastructure Corporation (RIC) has indicated RIC will implement all of these recommendations (letter attached).

I'm writing to you to ensure the Rail Safety Regulator oversees this process.

Maintenance and upgrade schedules should be developed in line with these recommendations and in consultation with the Regulator.

These are to be made public as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

**MICHAEL COSTA
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