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## **SRA Planning Appointments**

Two appointments to new senior posts at the SRA were confirmed today.

Stephen Clark has recently been appointed as Director, Planning, working to Jim Steer (MD, Strategic Planning). His appointment will strengthen the SRA's ability to get the best out of the national network in the medium term, and develop it for the future. The SRA has taken the lead in developing industry planning processes which will increasingly mesh together the plans of industry partners around a core direction provided by the Authority. Stephen will lead a new team focused on rail planning and its relationship to wider national and regional planning.

Tabitha Jay has been appointed as Policy Director in Strategic Planning. She coordinates the development work on the Case for Rail for the SRA's Route Map to the 2004 Comprehensive Spending Review. The Policy Team leads on other key areas, including capacity utilisation, fares, overcrowding, channel tunnel services and rolling stock. Notes to Editors:

1. Stephen joins the SRA from Network Rail. His career has mainly been spent in service and infrastructure specification within the rail industry. Before joining Railtrack in York, he worked for Opra, Thameslink, and British Rail's South Eastern and Operational Research divisions.

2. Tabitha joined the SRA in January from Booz Allen, where she worked as a strategy consultant on financial services and consumer goods. Previously she was at HM Treasury working on privatisation, tax, EMU and banking competition. She has an MBA from INSEAD in France

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