**SECTION 8: RFI CLARIFICATION REQUEST FORM**

**RFI No: HOAC-HO-49860**

Deadline for RFI clarification submissions: Before **12:00 pm on** 20 March 2025

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TFR response:

In this context, 'full operational responsibility' refers only to the work required to restore Class 20E, 21E, and 22E locomotives to a fully functional running state. This includes necessary upgrades, system integration, and ensuring component availability. It does not extend to fleet scheduling, deployment, or broader operational management, which remain under Transnet’s control.

Given this definition, the objectives outlined in Page 14, Section 3, Item 6 and Page 17, Section 4, Item 2 are aligned and should be interpreted consistently.