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Dear Minister.

Re: National Network of Private Hire Services

I have pleasure in enclosing the documentation relating to the iBus plc proposals for a National Network of Private Hire services. iBus plc. is the business arm of FOTO [Federation of Transport Operators] the representative body for over 1,200 private bus and coach operators across Ireland. You may remember our earlier meeting, May 2011, which signalled this proposal together with a National Bus Terminus. Amongst the other things discussed was the proposal for the Cuchulann Tunnel, which I think will jolt your memory above all else!

Our proposals are summarised in the Notation attaching the Loan Note Offer Information Memorandum and of special interest to you and the Irish Government will be the highlighted aspect of a <u>NIL</u> investment or subsidy requirement for these services, vehicles or infrastructures. iBus will shortly apply to the National Transport authority for the licences required for the various services under our proposal and as these will be completely new routes we do not expect objections from any present route licence holders or indeed the Authority itself.

In the meantime of making these applications I will be happy to brief you on these proposals should you so wish. I can be contacted by email on idunne@jfd.ie or by telephone to the offices at 045878500. I am flexible with my time over the next month and I can meet you when you are least busy.

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Regards for now							

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