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SUBJECT: Submission of the amendment related to the Grant Agreement No. INEA/CEF/TRAN-M2014/1057372 for the Action "**Cross Border Section of the New Lyon-Turin Rail Link Mont Cenis Base Tunnel (TBM)**", no. 2014-EU-TM-0401-M

Dear [REDACTED]

acting as the Coordinator of the Action in subject and having previously consulted the French Ministry, co-beneficiary in the above mentioned Action, I would like to submit a formal amendment to the Grant Agreement No INEA/CEF/TRAN-M2014/1057372, pursuant to Article II.12 which sets out the conditions of the amending procedure.

The current contract establishes a financial grant for a maximum amount of 813,781,900 euro to the two beneficiaries, Italy and France, for the section "Cross Border Section of the New Lyon-Turin Rail Link Mont Cenis Base Tunnel (TBM)", Action n. 2014-EU-TM-0401-M, and eligible costs estimated at a total of 1,915,054,750 euro (50% funded study activities and 40% funded works), in a timeframe from 01/01/2014 to 31/12/2019.

In compliance with Article 11.23.1, each year, the Coordinator submitted, on the basis of the information provided by the implementing body IELI and with the proper consensus expressed by the French beneficiary, an Action Status Report (ASR) to the Agency. For a series of reasons [REDACTED], since 2018 it was pointed out that the date of completion of numerous activities would have needed an extension beyond the contractual period and, without an amendment, several relevant activities included in the contract, would not have been completed and, consequently, the entire EU contribution granted to the action not absorbed

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The structure of the original contract in fact was detailed in the first 17 activities (studies and preliminary activities), while the definitive works were all embodied in a single activity (no.18), instead, in the attached proposal, it is proposed to extend the organisation of the activities (from no.19 to no. 34), reflecting the realistic organisation of the contracts for operating sites [REDACTED]

As regards the estimation of the costs, both the total amount of eligible costs equal to 1,915,054,750 euro and the co-financing contribution, equal to 813,781,900 euro are confirmed and entirely preserved. It is relevant to underline that therefore these changes do not increase the total costs of the Action and the related CEF funds assigned.

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In order to prepare the proposal, the company T.E.T. performed a series of risk analyses both at global level (in terms of general delays) and in terms of individual contracts (taking into account proceedings, tenders, administrative procedures, authorisation process, technical and operational critical issues) which outline an overall framework of reassuring soundness of the provisions that form the basis of these documents.

Moreover, pursuant to Article 11.12 of the contract, the proposal does not foresee substantial changes to the activities, nor foresees discordant elements with those included in the proposal originally selected for granting or contrary to the principles of equal treatment of the promoters.

In conclusion, I ask you, on behalf also of the French beneficiary, to consider the proposal of a time extension of the rescheduled activities from 31/12/2019 to 31/12/2022, being confident that these modifications should bring to a significant step forward in the progress of one of the most relevant cross-border project along the TTN-T Networks and Corridors.

I wait for your kind, and hopefully positive, reaction.

Best regards,

THE DIRECTOR ~~GENERAL~~ /
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