



## **SDS Contract**

### **Project Manager Report**

**September 2006**

#### **Section 2.0 - Project Performance: -**

Since the last report, meetings have taken place between SDS and tie on the PD drawings and documents that were "Red" from the DAP and PD ROR's, resulting in SDS revising these documents and preparing some additional drawings. Further meetings need to be set up to review the ROR comments and responses, with TSS for validation. The prolongation of the PD review process by tie and the decision to adopt a process that was not consistent with the SDS contract has seriously impacted on critical programme dates and SDS proceeding to DD. Tie has had to instruct SDS to proceed to DD even although PD ROR issues remain and without formal validation from TSS.

TSS has been prioritising the Infraco ITN ahead of the PD validation. SDS and tie have been concentrating on getting the drawings and documents amended and ready for the Infraco ITN and this remains WIP. At tie's request, a detailed review of the SDS programme and tie's milestones (DD, DFBC, Tramco, TTRO, TRO's, land, Infraco, Mudfa, Network rail, advance works, surveys) has taken place and the outcome will be a revised programme that tie and SDS can deliver.

The traffic modelling continues with JRC and SDS working closely with tie. Delays continue to the PD2 (traffic modelling report from SDS to confirm the junctions as designed work) due to modelling issues initially with the structure of the JRC model and then with the assumptions and outputs. The SDS PD2 will not be available until October 2006.

Issues and RFI logs are being adopted and regular meetings take place between tie and SDS to manage these elements.

The key issues which are affecting progress are:

- Charette Changes and changes TEL/ CEC approval required; quantum agreed in principle
- Programme and reporting
- Deliverables ( not clearly defined)
- PD review process.

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