

**Supplementary memorandum from Transport-Watch (RWP 33B)  
Parliamentary Transport Committee 5th Mar 2008**

**Public Involvement with Transport Watch**

Questions on Identity and public involvement; the value of Transport Watch to the public cannot be indicated by membership because we do not seek or have members. Instead we provide a website that is consulted by the public, public bodies and academics - the site is accessed circa 13,000 times per month. This seems to us a very substantial involvement in making what is agreed to be high quality information available to the public.

Think tanks, ref 1, approach Transport Watch for articles and the RSSB has cited and relies on data that we have provided, ref 2. We regularly seek the advice of Transport and Government professionals on our content so as to obtain high quality data.

We believe that our evidence to the House of Commons Transport Committee has a high level of integrity and intrinsic value.

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Ref 1 IEA; e.g. Rural Rail, chapter 7 of “The New Rural Economy”,  
Ref 2 Cited as the source for fuel used in rail freight by Rail Safety and Standards Board in its publication ‘Improving the Efficiency of Traction Energy Use’.