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Research Guide No 10: Development of Organised Transportation in London

The establishment of the Underground Electric Railways Company of London in 1902 represented the birth of organised mass transportation in London. Whilst not all of the existing rail operators were initially incorporated, this bringing together of the Metropolitan District Railway, the Baker Street and Waterloo Railway, the Charing Cross, Euston and Hampstead Railway, and the Great Northern, Piccadilly and Brompton Railway, constituted the foundation of the over-arching corporate body responsible for transportation as we know it.

This guide charts the key dates in the management of organised transportation in London, from the earliest railway and coach companies to the current incarnation of Transport for London.

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Notes and abbreviations:

* Date of Act of Parliament

+ Date of first tram operation

Date started trading

inc Incorporated

BVC Bakerloo, Victoria, and Central Lines

GLC Greater London Council

JNP Jubilee, Northern, and Piccadilly Lines

LBL London Buses Limited

LDDC London Docklands Development Corporation

LDI (not an abbreviation – this is the name registered with

Companies House)

LER London Electric Railway

LGOC London General Omnibus Co Ltd

LPTB London Passenger Transport Board

LRT London regional Transport

LT London Transport

LTA London Transport Advertising

LTISL London Transport International Services Ltd

LTM London Transport Museum

LUL London Underground Ltd

MDRC Metropolitan District Railway Co

MRC Metropolitan Railway Company

MTL Merseyside Transport Ltd

PFI Private Finance Initiative

REW Railway Engineering Workshops (but registered name is REW

etc)

SRA (as for LDI above)

SSL Sub Surface Lines

TDI (as for LDI above)

TfL Transport for London

TTL Transport Trading Limited

TMU Train Modification Unit

UERCL Underground Electric Railways Company of London Ltd

UIC (as for LDI above)

W&ERC Watford & Edgware Railway Co

WMTC West Metropolitan Tramways Co

Section I: Companies that became part of the Underground Group 'prior to 1933

Organisation or Company	Date on which organisation became part of the Underground Group
RAILWAY COMPANIES	1
Underground Electric Railways Company of London Ltd (UERCL) (inc 9/4/1902) (dissolved 28/9/1935)	9/4/1902
Metropolitan District Electric Traction Co Ltd	9/4/1902
London Electric Railway (see section 2.)	
Central London Railway Company (inc 5/8/1891)	1/1/1913
City & South London Railway Company (inc 28/7/1884 as City of London & Southwark Railway Company, changing name to City & South London Railway Company *25/7/1890)	1/1/1913
Lots Road Power House Joint Committee (inc. 2/6/1911)	2/6/1911
Baker Street & Waterloo Railway (inc 28/3/1893). Became part of Metropolitan District Electric Traction Co Ltd	7/3/1902
Became part of Underground Electric Railways Company of London Ltd Became part of London Electric Railway	1/7/1910
Charing Cross, Euston & Hampstead Railway (inc 24/8/1893) Became part of UERCL Became part of LER	1902
Great Northern & Strand Railway Co (inc 1/8/1899 — vested in Great Northern Piccadilly & Brompton Railway Co *8/8/1902)	
Brompton & Piccadilly Circus Railway Co (inc 6/8/1897). Name changed to Great Northern Piccadilly & Brompton Railway Co 18/11/1902. Became part of Underground Electric Railways Company of London Ltd Name changed again to London Electric Railway Co (LER) 1/7/1910	1902

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¹ The term Underground Group is here used this in the same sense as 'the Combine' (sometimes used pejoratively) which the Underground (except the Metropolitan), the General & the 3 tram companies run by London & Suburban Traction were increasing known as after 1913.

Organisation or Company	Date on which organisation became part of the Underground Group
Wimbledon & Sutton Railway Co (inc 26/7/1910)	26/7/1910
Watford & Edgware Railway Co (formed 1903; The Underground Group's interest in this company was transferred to Union Surplus Lands Co 17/3/1933; W&ERC wound up 1934)	1903
BUS COMPANIES	<u> </u>
London General Omnibus Co Ltd (LGOC) (formed 4/12/1855 as a French company; reconstituted as an English company 16/11/1858)	1/1/1912
London General Country Services Ltd	
Green Line Coaches Ltd (subsidiary of London General Omnibus Co Ltd until 11/5/1932 when it became a subsidiary of London General Country Services)	9/7/1930
Associated Equipment Co (inc 13/6/1912)	13/6/1912 Split away from Underground Group 1928
Tramways (MET) Omnibus Co Ltd (registered 13/1/1912 and taken over by London General Omnibus Co Ltd)	13/1/1912
Metropolitan Steam Omnibus Co (acquired by London General Omnibus Co Ltd 1/7/1914)	1/7/1914
New Central Omnibus Co (acquired by London General Omnibus Co Ltd 1/7/1914)	1/7/1914
Allen Co & Premier Omnibus Co (acquired by London General Omnibus Co Ltd 27/1/1916)	27/11/1916
Associated Omnibus Co (acquired by London General Omnibus Co Ltd 18/1/1918)	18/1/1918
Harvey & Burrows (acquired by London General Omnibus Co Ltd 1924)	1924
Hertford & District Motor Omnibus Services	6/1924
Cambrian (London General Omnibus Co Ltd acquired controlling interest)	1/1926
Central Omnibus Co (acquired by London General Omnibus Co Ltd 2/1926)	2/1926

Organisation or Company	Date on which organisation became part of the Underground Group
Overground Co (founded 10/5/1926; acquired by London General Omnibus Co Ltd 5/1927)	5/1927
Orange Co (acquired by London General Omnibus Co Ltd 5/1927)	5/1927
London Public Omnibus Co (founded 7/1927; London General Omnibus Co Ltd secured control 3/1928; wound up 11/12/1929)	3/1928
East Surrey Traction Co (purchased by London General Omnibus Co Ltd 12/6/1929)	12/6/1929
Autocar (a subsidiary of ESTC, purchased by London General Omnibus Co Ltd 12/6/1929)	12/6/1929
Amersham & District Co (founded 15/9/1919; London General Omnibus Co Ltd acquired control 8/1929)	8/1929
London General Country Services (a subsidiary of London General Omnibus Co Ltd formed 1930 and was composed of East Surrey Traction Co from 1/3/1932, part of the National Omnibus & Transport Co Ltd)	1/1930
E Gray (taken over by London General Omnibus Co Ltd 21/2/1930)	21/2/1930
Green Line formed 1930 (a subsidiary of London General Omnibus Co Ltd	9/7/1930
Sevenoaks & District (acquired by London General Omnibus Co Ltd I I / I I / I 930)	11/11/1930
Bus de Ville of Woking (acquired by London General Omnibus Co Ltd 11/3/1931)	11/3/1931
Skylark Motor Coach Co (acquired by London General Omnibus Co Ltd 6/2/1932)	6/2/1932
Bucks Express (Watford) Ltd (acquired by London General Omnibus Co Ltd 20/2/1932	20/2/1932
Blue Bird Omnibus Services (acquired by London General Omnibus Co Ltd 28/2/1932)	28/2/1932
Acme Pullman Services Ltd (acquired by London General Omnibus Co Ltd 22/9/1932)	22/9/1932
Chesham & District Bus Co Ltd (purchased by Amersham & District 8/12/1932 (already in London General Omnibus Co Ltd ownership)	8/12/1932
C Aston (Watford) (acquired by London General Omnibus Co Ltd 9/5/1933)	9/5/1933

Organisation or Company	Date on which organisation became part of the Underground Group
Chiltern Bus Services (acquired by London General Omnibus Co Ltd 9/5/1933)	9/5/1933
Watford Omnibus Co (acquired by London General Omnibus Co Ltd 26/3/1933)	26/3/1933
Regent Motor Services (acquired by Green Line 2/3/1932)	1932
Associated Coaches (Ongar) Ltd (acquired by Green Line 31/3/1932)	31/3/1932
TRAMWAY COMPANIES	
Metropolitan Electric Tramways Ltd (acquired by London & Suburban Traction Co 1/1/1913)	5/1915
London United Tramways Ltd (acquired by UERCL 1902, passing to London & Suburban Traction Co 1/1/1913)	1902
South Metropolitan Electric Tramways & Lighting Co Ltd (tramways part	5/1915
only) taken over by London & Suburban Traction Co 6/1913	
London & Suburban Traction Co (L&STC) formed 20/11/1912.	5/1915
(Underground Group acquired control of this company 5/1915; some shares held by British Electric Traction until 1928)	
Metropolitan Tramway & Omnibus Co (registered 21/11/1894; name changed to Metropolitan Electric Tramways Ltd 10/1901, then a subsidiary of British Electric Traction; became part of London & Suburban Traction Co 23/12/1912)	5/1915
OTHER COMPANIES	
North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply Co (formed 1900; acquired by British Electric Traction [Metropolitan Electric Tramways 7/1903])	Not part of the Underground Group after 30/6/1933
North Metropolitan Power Distribution Co Ltd (formed 19/4/1899, subsidiary of Metropolitan Electric Tramways)	ditto
The above two companies merged 30/12/1922 as the North Metropolitan Power Co	ditto
North Metropolitan Power Station Co Ltd (formed 5/5/1926)	ditto
Union Surplus Lands Co Ltd (formed 26/6/1914; dissolved 25/9/1934)	26/6/1914

Organisation or Company	Date on which organisation became part of the Underground Group
Union Construction Co Ltd (formed 16/10/1901; name changed	Wound up
3/2/1929 to Union Construction & Finance Co Ltd	1/7/1933
NW Land & Transport Co Ltd	
Morden Station Garage Ltd (inc 16/9/1926; company ceased 1934)	16/9/1926
Earls Court Grounds Ltd (inc 18/12/1914)	18/12/1914

Section2: Companies which merged with other companies prior to becoming part of the Underground Group

Company	Date inc.	Notes	Merged with	Date
RAILWAY COMPANIES				
Metropolitan District Electric Traction Co Ltd	15/7/1901		Underground Electric Railways Company of London Ltd	9/4/1902
Edgware & Hampstead Railway Co	18/11/1902		Vested in London Electric Railway	*7/8/1912
Metropolitan District Railway Co (MDRC) (an amalgamation of Metropolitan Grand Union Railway and Metropolitan District Railway	29/7/1864		Became part of Underground Electric Railways Company of London Ltd	4/9/1902

Company	Date inc.	Notes	Merged with	Date
Metropolitan & South Western Junction Railway Co	10/8/1872	(consisted of running powers over London & South Western Railway Hammersmith-Richmond *11/8/1875)		
Hammersmith Extension Railway Co	7/7/1873		Vested in Metropolitan District Railway Co	*30/6/1874
Metropolitan Inner Circle Completion Railway Co (working arrangements made by Metropolitan District Railway Co)	7/8/1874		Became a joint enterprise between Metropolitan District Railway Co & Metropolitan District Railway Co	*11/8/1879
Kingston & London Railway Co	22/8/1881		Company dissolved	*18/8/1882
Hounslow & Metropolitan Railway Co	26/8/1880		Vested in Metropolitan District Railway Co	*21/7/1903
Whitechapel & Bow Railway Co	6/8/1897	Controlled jointly by Metropolitan District Railway Co & London Tilbury & Southend Railway Worked by District Railway under agreement dated 6/5/1902		

Company	Date inc.	Notes	Merged with	Date
Ealing & South Harrow Railway Co	25/8/1894		Vested in Metropolitan District Railway Co	1/7/1900
Great Northern & City Railway Co	1892		Metropolitan Railway Co	1/7/1913
BUS COMPANIES				
London & District Omnibus Co	3/8/1880	Name changed 4/1881 to London Road Car Co Ltd – fleetname 'Union Jack'	London General Omnibus Co	1/7/1908
London Motor Omnibus Co	1905	Renamed Vanguard Motor Bus Co Ltd 4/1/1907	London General Omnibus Co	1/7/1908
London & District (Arrow) Co	?	Acquired by Vanguard Motor Bus Co 4/1/1907		
Motor Bus (Pilot) Co	?	Acquired by Vanguard Motor Bus Co 4/1/1907		
London and Provincial Co	?	Acquired by Vanguard Motor Bus Co 4/1/1907		
Metropolitan Steam Omnibus Co Ltd			London General Omnibus Co	
New Central Omnibus Co Ltd			London General Omnibus Co	
Great Eastern Motor Bus Co	?		London General Omnibus Co	1/11/1911
TRAMWAY COMPANIES				

Company	Date inc.	Notes	Merged with	Date
North Metropolitan Tramways Co	+9/5/1870		Different geographical areas sold as follows:	London County Council 1/4/1896 Metropolitan Electric Tramways 26/11/1902 County Borough of W West Ham 1/7/1903 Borough of Leyton 25/6/1906 County Borough of East Ham 29/4/1908
Southwark & Deptford Tramway Co	3/7/1879 +1880	Became London, Deptford & Greenwich Tramway Co 1893	London County Council	7/7/1904
Metropolitan Street Tramways Co	+2/5/1870			Merged 1870 or 1873 to
Peckham, Pimlico & Greenwich Tramway Co	+13/12/187			form London Tramways Co
London Tramways Co			London County Council	1/1/1899
South Eastern Metropolitan Tramways Co	14/7/1884 +1891		London County Council	1/4/1902
South London Tramways Co	1879 +1881		London County Council	22/11/1902

Company	Date inc.	Notes	Merged with	Date
Peckham & East Dulwich Tramway Co	10/8/1882	Became London Camberwell & Dulwich Tramways Co 1887	London County Council	15/8/1904
Woolwich & Plumstead Tramways Co	1879	Became Woolwich & South East London Tramways Co	London County Council	1/6/1905
London Southern Tramways Co	18/8/1882 +1883		London County Council	2/10/1906
Highgate Hill (Cable) Tramway Ltd			became Highgate Hill Tramways	
Steep Grade Tramways & Works Co	+29/5/1884	Closed 12/1892. Reopened by Highgate Hill Tramway Co 1897	London County Council	24/8/1909
London Street Tramways Co Ltd	27/11/1871		London County Council	24/6/1896
North London Tramways Co			Became North Metropolitan Tramways Co	
North London Suburban Tramways Co	1878 +10/4/1881	'Suburban' dropped after liquidation in 1882	Became part of Metropolitan Electric Tramways	1891
Harrow Road & Paddington Tramways Co Ltd	25/6/1886 +7/7/1888	Metropolitan Electric Tramways had the majority shareholding by 1902	Metropolitan Electric Tramways 1906 and then by London County Council 18/10/1909	

Company	Date inc.	Notes	Merged with	Date
Metropolitan Tramways			Became part of	
& Omnibus Co Ltd			Metropolitan	
			Electric	
			Tramways	
Southall & Shepherds			Became part of	
Bush Tram Railway Co			London United	
Ltd			Tramways	
Kew Richmond &			Became part of	
Kingston Tramways Co			London United	
Ltd			Tramways	
London & County			Became part of	
Tramways Co Ltd			London United	
			Tramways	
Southall & Shepherds	12/5/1870		Acquired by	3/1882
Bush Tramway Co			West	
			Metropolitan	
			Tramways Co	
Shepherds Bush & Priory	24/7/1876		Acquired by	3/1882
Road Acton Co			West	
			Metropolitan	
			Tramways Co	
Kew, Richmond &	+1883		Acquired by	3/1882
Kingston Tramways Co			West	
			Metropolitan	
			Tramways Co	
West Metropolitan	12/8/1881	Purchased		
Tramways Co (WMTC)		6/8/1894 by		
		Imperial		
		Tramways Co &		
		reconstituted as		
		London United		
		Tramways		
		19/7/1894		

Company	Date inc.	Notes	Merged with	Date
Lea Bridge Leyton & Walthamstow Tramways Co	+12/5/1883		Different geographical areas sold as follows:	Borough of Walthamsto w Council; Borough of Leyton 1/11/1905 London County Council 30/6/1908
Croydon Tramways Co	18/8/1878		Merged 2/8/1883 to	
Norwood & District Tramways Co	1882		become Croydon & Norwood Tramways Co	
Croydon & Norwood Tramways Co	2/8/1883	Reincorporated 1889 as Croydon Tramways Co. On 1/1/1900 taken over by British Electric Traction who ran system on behalf of Croydon Corporation leasing operations to Steam Tramways Traction Co. Taken over by Croydon Corporation corporation		

Section 3: Companies which became part of LPTB on 1/7/1933 which had never been part of the Underground Group

Company	Became part of LT on
RAILWAY COMPANIES	<u> </u>
Metropolitan Railway Company (MRC) (inc 15/8/1853 as North Metropolitan Railway Co, changing name to MRC *7/8/1854)	1/7/1933
Hammersmith & City Railway Co (inc 22/7/1861, vested in Metropolitan Railway Co & Great Western Railway Co *15/7/1857)	
Kingsbury & Harrow Railway Joint Committee (inc 16/7/1874, a joint committee of Metropolitan Railway Company and Metropolitan & St John's Wood Railway Co – powers exercised by MRC from 1878)	
Harrow & Rickmansworth Railway Co (inc 7/8/1884 – powers abandoned *14/8/1877 and line built by Metropolitan Railway Company under powers of *6/8/1880)	
London & Aylesbury Railway Co (inc 16/8/1871 – scheme dropped & line built by Metropolitan Railway Company *18/7/1881)	
Metropolitan & St John's Wood Railway Co (inc 29/7/1864 – vested in Metropolitan Railway Company *3/7/1882)	
Aylesbury & Buckingham Railway Co (inc 6/8/1860 — vested in Metropolitan Railway Company 1/7/1891)	
Wootton Tramway (formed 1880). Line closed 20/1/1935 (see entry below).	
Oxford, Aylesbury & Metropolitan Junction Railway Co (inc 20/8/1883). Name changed to Oxford & Aylesbury Tramroad Co *7/8/1888. This company took over the running of the Wootton Tramroad from 15/10/1894; the Metropolitan Railway Company took over its running from 1/12/1899 & the Metropolitan & Great Central Joint Committee assumed responsibility from 2/4/1906.	
Harrow & Uxbridge Railway Co (inc 6/8/1897 – vested in Metropolitan Railway Company *30/6/1905)	
Metropolitan & Great Central Joint Committee (inc 4/8/1905 – consisting of Metropolitan Railway Company and Great Central Railway)	
Watford Joint Railway Committee (formed 8/1912 – comprising Metropolitan Railway Company & Great Central Railway)	

Company	Became part of LT on
Great Northern & City Railway Co (inc 28/6/1892 – vested in Metropolitan Railway Company 12/7/1913)	
Metropolitan Railway Country Estates (formed 1919)	
East London Railway Co (formed 26/5/1865; leased to Metropolitan Railway Company, Metropolitan District Railway Co & other railway companies 1/8/1884; acquired by Southern Railway 1925)	
BUS COMPANIES	
Thomas Tilling Ltd (founded 1846; became limited company 1897)	
Tilling & British Automobile Traction Ltd	
Lewis Omnibus Co Ltd	
TRAMWAYS	
London County Council Tramways	1/7/1933
Borough of Barking	1/7/1933
Bexley Urban District Council	1/7/1933
Dartford Urban District Council	1/7/1933
County Borough of Croydon	1/7/1933
County Borough of East Ham	1/7/1933
Erith Urban District Council	1/7/1933
Hertfordshire County Council (leased track to others)	1/7/1933
City of London (leased track to others)	1/7/1933
Middlesex County Council (leased track to others)	1/7/1933
Borough of Ilford	1/7/1933
County Borough of West Ham	1/7/1933
Borough of Walthamstow	1/7/1933
Borough of Leyton	1/7/1933

Section 4: Organisations formed within LT as subsidiaries or acquired after 1/7/1933

Company	Subsidiary of:	Date formed	Date sold
GENERAL COMPANIES		L	
London Passenger Transport Board		Came into being 1/7/1933	
London Transport Executive	LPTB nationalised as part of British Transport Commission (BTC)	Came into being 1/1/1948	
London Transport Board (LTB)	BTC abolished and new LTB reported to Minister of Transport	Came into being 1/1/1963	
London Transport Executive (LTE)	LTB denationalised and new LTE came under the control of the Greater London Council	Came into being 1/1/1970	
London Regional Transport (LRT)	LTE became LRT and reported to the Secretary of State for Transport from 29/6/1984	Came into being 29/6/1984? Abolished 15/7/2003 when its final responsibility (London Underground Ltd) was absorbed into TfL	

Company	Subsidiary of:	Date formed	Date sold
Transport for London (TfL)	A new	Came into	
	organisation	being 3/7/2000	
	which included		
	former LRT,		
	responsibility of		
	the Traffic		
	Director for		
	London, London		
	Traffic Control		
	Systems Unit, the		
	London elements		
	of the Highways		
	Agency, London		
	Research Centre's		
	Accident Analysis		
	Unit and Traffic		
	Surveys Unit,		
	London Bus		
	Initiative and		
	(from the		
	Metropolitan		
	Police) the Public		
	Carriage Office.		
	London		
	Underground		
	Limited and its		
	subsidiaries		
	remained part of		
	LRT and did not		
	become part of		
	TfL until		
	15/7/2003		
		2.4/1./2.22	
Transport Trading Limited (TTL)	Transport for	24/1/2000	
	London		
London Transport Museum (name	LT Trading Ltd	12/12/1988	
changed 3/5/1991 to Transport			
History Research Trust)			
LTM Enterprises Ltd (sic) (original	London Regional	18/10/1988	Dissolved
name Austbase Ltd)	Transport?		29/8/1995

Company	Subsidiary of:	Date formed	Date sold
London Transport Museum Ltd	Transport Trading Limited (TTL)	6/2/2008	
London Transport Museum (Trading) Ltd	London Transport Museum Ltd	7/3/2008	
LRT Pension Fund Trustee Co Ltd (became TfL Pension Fund Trustee Co Ltd on 15/7/2003 and on 12/1/2005 became TfL Trustee Co Ltd	London Regional Transport; then Transport for London	24/1/1989	
Routemaster Reinsurance Ltd	London Buses Ltd ?	14/3/1994 (registered in Republic of Ireland)	Sold 1994 to the main London Buses Ltd subsidiaries — London Regional Transport's interest in the company ended 10/1/1995
LT Insurance (Guernsey) Ltd	London Regional Transport	2/4/1995 (registered in Guernsey, CI)	
LT Trading Ltd		1990	
LTA Advertising Ltd (sic)	LT Trading Ltd	5/12/1993	15/8/1994 to LDI Ltd; name changed 5/4/1995 to TDI Advertising Ltd; 20/6/2001 to Viacom Outdoor and 5/2/2007 to CBS Outdoor

Company	Subsidiary of:	Date formed	Date sold
Data Networks plc	London Regional Transport	21/3/1986	5/1987, LRT's 30% holding sold to CAP Group plc; name changed 7/5/1990 to Sema Group Facilities Management plc
London River Services Ltd	Transport Trading Limited (TTL)	18/12/1987	
London Electrical Transport Finance Corporation Ltd	London Passenger Transport Board	10/7/1935	Dissolved after WWII
London Transport International Services Ltd (LTISL)	London Transport	24/8/1976	Became part of LT Trading Ltd 1990. Wound up 31/3/1992; dissolved 15/10/1996.
LT International Consultants Inc (Delaware)	London Transport International Services Ltd's US arm	c1990-1991	
LT Medical Services Ltd	London Regional Transport ?	22/4/1988	Dissolved 9/8/1995
Transport for London Finance Ltd	Transport Trading Limited (TTL)	10/11/2008	
RAIL COMPANIES			
London Underground Ltd (on 15/7/2003 became a subsidiary of TfL through Transport Trading Ltd)	Transport Trading Limited (TTL)	29/3/1985	
Metropower Ltd	London Regional Transport ?	13/11/1990	Dissolved 11/6/1996
Waterloo & City and Underground Extension Railways Ltd	London Regional Transport ?	18/3/1994	Dissolved 22/10/1996

Company	Subsidiary of:	Date formed	Date sold
Rail for London Ltd	Transport Trading Limited (TTL)	13/10/2006	
Docklands Light Railway (GLC's client role passed from GLC to LRT 29/6/1984; operation passed to LDDC 1/4/1992; transferred to TfL, TTL 2000)	Transport Trading Limited (TTL)	1/4/1986 (company registered)	
Crossrail Ltd (registered as Cross London Rail Links Ltd to 29/1/2009)	Joint venture between Transport Trading Ltd & SRA Investment Co Ltd	8/5/2001 (Wholly owned by Transport for London from 5/12/2008)	
Waterloo & City Railway Co (opened 11/7/1898);	Taken over by London & South Western Railway 1/1/1907 later became part of Southern Railway & British Railways – the line was passed to London Underground Ltd 1/4/1994	Opened 11/7/1898	
Infraco BCV Ltd (name changed on sale to Metronet Rail BCV Ltd)	London Underground Ltd	1/4/2000	Sold to Metronet 4/4/2003. Entered administration 18/7/2007. Brought back 'in house' under LU 12/2008.

Company	Subsidiary of:	Date formed	Date sold
Infraco SSL Ltd (name changed on sale to Metronet Rail SSL Ltd)	London Underground Ltd	1/4/2000	Sold to Metronet 4/4/2003. Entered administration 18/7/2007. Brought back 'in house' under LU 12/2008.
Infraco JNP Ltd (name changed on sale to Tube Lines Ltd)	London Underground Ltd	1/4/2000	Sold to Tube Lines Ltd 31/12/2002. On 27/6/2010 Tube Lines was sold by Amey (Ferrovial) & Bechtel to TfL
REW (Acton) Ltd	London Underground Ltd	6/1996	Changed name to Metronet REW Ltd. On 1/4/2009 assets & liabilities transferred to LUL Nominee SSL Ltd
TMU (Acton) Ltd	London Underground Ltd	6/1996	Changed name to Metronet TMU LimitedOn 1/4/2009 assets & liabilities transferred to LUL Nominee BCV Ltd
LUL Nominee BCV Ltd	Transport Trading Limited (TTL)	23/4/2007	

Company	Subsidiary of:	Date formed	Date sold
Metronet TMU Ltd		7/6/1996	On 1/4/2009 activity transferred to LUL Nominee BCV Ltd
LUL Nominee SSL Ltd	Transport Trading Limited (TTL)	10/5/2007	
Metronet REW Ltd		7/6/1996	On 1/4/2009 activity transferred to LUL Nominee SSL Ltd
Tube Lines (Holdings) Ltd	Infraco JNP Ltd, later UIC Transport (JNP) Ltd (1/3 rd), Transport Trading Ltd (2/3rds)	23/11/2001	
Tube Lines Finance Plc	Tube Lines (Holdings) Ltd	20/4/2004	
Tube Lines Pension Scheme Trustees Ltd	Tube Lines Ltd	23/1/2004	
UIC Transport (JNP) Ltd	Transport Trading Ltd	20/11/2001	
TRAMWAY COMPANIES	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	
Tramtrack Croydon Ltd	Transport Trading Limited (TTL)	17/8/1995	
Tramtrack Leasing Ltd	?	26/9/1996	Dissolved 28/6/2011
Tramtrack Lease Financing Limited	?	15/5/2002	Dissolved 28/6/2011
UK Tram Ltd	London Bus Services Ltd	5/9/2005	
BUS COMPANIES	I	I	l

Company	Subsidiary of:	Date formed	Date sold
London Buses Limited	London Regional Transport, later Transport Trading Ltd	29/3/1985	
London Bus Services Ltd	Transport Trading Ltd	24/1/2000	
East Thames Buses (trading arm of London Buses Ltd)	London Buses Ltd	7/2000 (not a registered company)	2009 to Go Ahead
LRT Bus Engineering Ltd	LT Trading Services Ltd	29/3/1985	Sold 1/1988 to Frontsource; name changed 31/3/1988 to Belmanton. Dissolved 21/8/1993.
London Dial a Ride Ltd	London Regional Transport, later London Bus Services Ltd	17/4/1991	
Victoria Coach Station Ltd	Acquired by London Regional Transport, 31/10/1988.	30/4/1925	Became part of LT Trading Ltd 1990; became part of LT Buses 1995; Transport for London, Transport Trading Ltd 2000
London Central Co Ltd	London Buses Ltd	1/4/1989 #	Sold to Go Ahead 18/10/1994
S E London & Kent Co Ltd	London Buses Ltd	1/4/1989 #	Sold to Stagecoach 6/9/1994
South London Transport Co Ltd	London Buses Ltd	1/4/1989 #	Sold to Cowie 10/1/1995 (Cowie later became Arriva)

Company	Subsidiary of:	Date formed	Date sold
London General Transport Services Co Ltd	London Buses Ltd	1/4/1989 #	Management buy-out 2/11/1994
London United Busways Co Ltd	London Buses Ltd	1/4/1989 #	Management buy-out 5/11/1994
Centrewest London Buses Co Ltd	London Buses Ltd	1/4/1989 #	Management buy-out 2/9/1994
Metroline Travel Co Ltd	London Buses Ltd	1/4/1989 #	Management buy-out 7/10/1994
London Northern Co Ltd	London Buses Ltd	1/4/1989 #	Sold to Merseyside Transport Ltd Holdings* 26/10/1994 (* MTL owned London Suburban Bus)
Leaside Bus Co Ltd	London Buses Ltd	1/4/1989 #	Sold to Cowie 29/9/1994 (Cowie later became Arriva)
London Forest Travel Co Ltd	London Buses Ltd	1/4/1989 #	Ceased operation 21/11/1991 following prolonged strike
E London Bus & Coach Co Ltd	London Buses Ltd	1/4/1989 #	Sold to Stagecoach 6/9/1994
London (Stanwell Buses) Ltd t/a Westlink	London Buses Ltd	9/8/1986	20/1/1994 management buy-out. Acquired by London United Busways 1/1995
London (Orpington) Buses Ltd t/a Roundabout	London Buses Ltd	16/8/1986	Ceased 1/4/1989

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London Coaches Ltd (former Railway Commercial Ops Unit of LBL)	London Buses Ltd	11/1986	Management buy-out 1/4/1992 becoming Original Sightseeing Tour
Kingston Buses Ltd	London Buses Ltd	by 3/1988	Ceased 1989
Harrow Buses Ltd	London Buses Ltd	11/1987	Ceased 1989?
Bexley Bus Ltd	London Buses Ltd	1/1988	Absorbed into London Central 24/1/1990
Suttonbus (possibly a trading name rather than a limited company: part of Wandle district)	London Buses Ltd	11/1988	Ceased by at least 6/1989
FORMER PFI CONTRACTS ACQUIRED BY TFL on 23/11/2011			
City Airport Rail Enterprises plc	City Airport Rail Enterprises (Holdings) Plc	8/4/2002	
City Airport Rail Enterprises (Holdings) Plc	Transport Trading Limited (TTL)	27/11/2002	
Woolwich Arsenal Rail Enterprises Ltd	Woolwich Arsenal Rail Enterprises (Holdings) Ltd	22/2/2005	
Woolwich Arsenal Rail Enterprises (Holdings) Ltd	Transport Trading Limited (TTL)	8/2/2005	