

## “Despite the challenges, CP7 remains a huge opportunity”

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*TVS SCS Europe Chief Sales Officer Grant Jones is looking forward to the challenges that the UK Rail sector faces in the new Control Period. In this guest writer article, he discusses supply chain transformation, and the need to do “more with less”.*

In April, the UK will be entering the new five-year control period (CP7), with **£44bn of new funding** to be

invested into the UK railway.

While that sounds like a lot of money, it is £3bn less funding than was allocated for CP6 and comes after a period of sustained challenges such as COVID, Brexit, the War in Ukraine and increased inflation. There is going to be pressure to do more with less over the course of the control period to meet the industry's **£3.4bn efficiency targets**.

Despite these challenges and whatever your position in the rail sector, TVS SCS has a series of propositions that can help you save money whilst delivering excellent performance.

### TVS Rail Spares

We launched TVS Rail Spares in June 2023 with the aim of establishing a materials solution that provided great customer service, world class availability to key infrastructure products and an unrivalled ease of use via our online catalogue.

Those aims have been delivered through our free next day delivery service, over 96 per cent availability against our catalogue of over 10,000 items from a supply chain of 400 rail suppliers, and an online catalogue which has garnered customer praise for its simplicity.

We see TVS Rail Spares as being a key service for the rail subcontractor market in the UK, helping to get essential materials to infrastructure projects and avoid costly delays and inefficiencies.

### Supply Chain Transformation

TVS SCS can do much more than just help with material supply. Through our Supply Chain transformation, we can completely revolutionise all areas of your procurement, inventory management and logistics operations.

We develop tailor made solutions to your specific needs, to ensure supply chain resilience. Our technology-led ethos can make efficiencies and cost savings across your supply chain utilising our experience of transforming other supply chains of blue-chip clients from rail, automotive, defence, beverage and utilities sectors.



Through analysis of your end-to-end supply chain, we make recommendations as to where efficiencies and cost savings can be made. We provide practical and experienced support to develop the steps needed to implement, embed and then drive continuous improvement in the supply chain either as an outsourced service provider or as an integral part of your existing team.

Regardless of your business challenges in CP7, TVS Supply Chain Solutions has a solution to meet your needs. Let us help you with all your rail needs.

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