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Mr. Brian Galvin
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Subject: Partial Approval – Due Date Extension Request for Special Directive 24-7: Finding 3
Required Action

Dear Mr. Galvin,

On September 13, 2024, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) received a request from the New York Public Transportation Safety Board (PTSB) to extend the due date for the Required Action of Special Directive (SD) 24-7, Finding 3 - PTSB Must Expand Activities to Oversee NYCT's RWP Training Program, from 60 days to 150 days. The required action requires PTSB to conduct an independent audit of NYCT's RWP training program and requires NYCT to develop and implement CAP(s) to address the audit results. PTSB believes that the current timeframe of 60 days is sufficient to conduct an audit of the Roadway Worker Protection training program and issue Findings to NYCT but is requesting 90 additional days for NYCT to review the audit findings, develop CAP(s), and approve those CAP(s).

Partial Approval of Due Date Extension Request for SD 24-7, Finding 3 Required Action

We understand PTSB's explanation regarding the need for a time extension to allow NYCT time to review the audit findings, develop CAP(s), and for PTSB to review and approve NYCT's CAP(s). FTA partially approves the PTSB's request to amend the due date for this actionable item by granting an **additional 30 days** for submitting an approved NYCT CAP(s) provided that PTSB submits the RWP Training Program audit report to FTA as currently required by October 12, 2024. Given the safety sensitive nature of this deliverable, FTA finds the 90-day request to be excessive and authorizes an additional 30 days for CAP development and approval. **The submissions related to this finding will be due on November 11, 2024.**

Conclusion

Should you have any questions or require additional clarification, please do not hesitate to contact our Special Directive Coordinator, Nathan Wolfe, at (nathan.wolfe@dot.gov) or (470) 925-6209.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joe P. DeLorenzo". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Joe" and last name "DeLorenzo" clearly distinguishable.

Joe DeLorenzo
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