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Mr. Scott Sauer  
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**Subject: Closeout for Required Action FTA-24-3-006-1 (Bus Intersections and Rail Crossing Safety Event List)**

Dear Mr. Sauer,

On October 26, 2024, the Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority (SEPTA) submitted a list of bus intersections and rail crossings that had multiple accidents or incidents during the period of 2018 to 2023 or that have been determined to present a high risk for safety events. Required action FTA-24-3-006-1—which is associated with Finding 6 of Special Directive (SD) 24-3: “Required Actions to Address Findings from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Safety Management Inspection Conducted at the SEPTA Related to Bus and Rail Safety Issues Contributing to Safety Events” --required this submission.

**Closeout for FTA-24-3-006-1 (Bus Intersections and Rail Crossing Safety Event List)**

To address this required action, between August 16, 2024, and October 26, 2024, SEPTA submitted three iterations of the list. SEPTA first submitted its response on August 16, 2024. In response to FTA comments, SEPTA revised and resubmitted twice, once on October 9, 2024, and once again on October 26, 2024, to address FTA comments.

FTA carefully evaluated the submitted documentation and reviewed submissions with SEPTA during biweekly meetings on SD 24-3 between August 2024 and January 2025.

**FTA finds that the submissions satisfy the requirements of required action FTA-24-3-006-1 and this required action may now be closed.**

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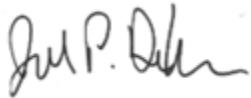
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FTA will continue to monitor SEPTA's activities to address bus intersections and rail crossings that may be at high risk for safety events through required action FTA-24-3-006-2 and, prior to closing Special Directive 24-3, FTA may conduct a final verification related to this list.

### **Conclusion**

This required action closure represents a tremendous amount of work and FTA greatly appreciates your efforts. Please contact Francis Alomia, Special Directive Coordinator, by phone at (470) 859-1677 or by email at [Francis.Alomia@dot.gov](mailto:Francis.Alomia@dot.gov) with any questions.

Sincerely,



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