

Metro-North Railroad (MNR) submitted a request for amendment (RFA) to its FRA-approved Positive Train Control Safety Plan (PTCSP). As this RFA involves a request for FRA's approval of proposed material modifications to an FRA-certified positive train control (PTC) system, FRA is publishing this notice and inviting public comment on the railroad's RFA to its PTCSP.

**DATES:** FRA will consider comments received by June 6, 2023. FRA may consider comments received after that date to the extent practicable and without delaying implementation of valuable or necessary modifications to a PTC system.

**ADDRESSES:**

*Comments:* Comments may be submitted by going to <https://www.regulations.gov> and following the online instructions for submitting comments.

*Instructions:* All submissions must include the agency name and the applicable docket number. The relevant PTC docket number for this host railroad is Docket No. FRA-2010-0032. For convenience, all active PTC dockets are hyperlinked on FRA's website at <https://railroads.dot.gov/research-development/program-areas/train-control/ptc/railroads-ptc-dockets>. All comments received will be posted without change to <https://www.regulations.gov>; this includes any personal information.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Gabe Neal, Staff Director, Signal, Train Control, and Crossings Division, telephone: 816-516-7168, email: [Gabe.Neal@dot.gov](mailto:Gabe.Neal@dot.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In general, Title 49 United States Code (U.S.C.) section 20157(h) requires FRA to certify that a host railroad's PTC system complies with Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) part 236, subpart I, before the technology may be operated in revenue service. Before making certain changes to an FRA-certified PTC system or the associated FRA-approved PTCSP, a host railroad must submit, and obtain FRA's approval of, an RFA to its PTCSP under 49 CFR 236.1021.

Under 49 CFR 236.1021(e), FRA's regulations provide that FRA will publish a notice in the **Federal Register** and invite public comment in accordance with 49 CFR part 211, if an RFA includes a request for approval of a material modification of a signal and train control system. Accordingly, this notice informs the public that, on May 9, 2023, MNR submitted an RFA to its PTCSP for its Advanced Civil Speed Enforcement System II (ACSES II), which seeks FRA's approval of a new

release of Safety Temporary Speed Restriction Server (STS) Software, Version 1.2.5. MNR state that the software update is to address defects and contains no new functionality. The RFA is available in Docket No. FRA-2010-0032.

Interested parties are invited to comment on MNR's RFA to its PTCSP by submitting written comments or data. During FRA's review of this railroad's RFA, FRA will consider any comments or data submitted within the timeline specified in this notice and to the extent practicable, without delaying implementation of valuable or necessary modifications to a PTC system. See 49 CFR 236.1021; see also 49 CFR 236.1011(e). Under 49 CFR 236.1021, FRA maintains the authority to approve, approve with conditions, or deny a railroad's RFA to its PTCSP at FRA's sole discretion.

**Privacy Act Notice**

In accordance with 49 CFR 211.3, FRA solicits comments from the public to better inform its decisions. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to <https://www.regulations.gov>, as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL-14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at <https://www.transportation.gov/privacy>. See <https://www.regulations.gov/privacy-notice> for the privacy notice of [www.regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov). To facilitate comment tracking, we encourage commenters to provide their name, or the name of their organization; however, submission of names is completely optional. If you wish to provide comments containing proprietary or confidential information, please contact FRA for alternate submission instructions.

Issued in Washington, DC.

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Director, Office of Railroad Systems and Technology.

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Office of the Secretary**

[Docket No. DOT-OST-2023-0016]

**30-Day Notice of Request for Reinstatement With Change of a Previously Approved Collection**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary (OST), Department of Transportation (Department) or (DOT).

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The OSDBU invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) approval to renew an information collection. The collection involves "SBTRC Regional Field Offices Intake Form (DOT F 4500)" with *OMB Control Number* 2105-0554.

**DATES:** Please submit comments by June 16, 2023.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments [identified by Docket No. DOT-OST-2023-0016 through one of the following methods:

- *Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of the Secretary of Transportation, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503,*
- *email: [oir\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oir_submission@omb.eop.gov).*
- *Fax: (202) 395-5806.*

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Peter Kontakos, 202-366-1930 ext. 62253, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, Office of the Secretary, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Room W56-444, Washington, DC 20590. Office hours are from 9:00a.m. to 5:00p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* SBTRC Regional Field Offices Intake Form (DOT F 4500).

*OMB Control Number:* 2105-0554.

*Background:* In accordance with Public Law 95-507, an amendment to the Small Business Act and the Small Business Investment Act of 1953, OSDBU is responsible for the implementation and execution of DOT activities on behalf of small businesses, in accordance with Section 8, 15 and 31 of the Small Business Act (SBA), as amended. The Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization also administers the provisions of Title 49, of the United States Code, Section 332, the Minority Resource Center (MRC) which includes the duties of advocacy, outreach, and financial services on behalf of small and disadvantaged businesses and those certified under CFR 49 parts 23 and or 26 as Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE). SBTRC's Regional Field Offices will collect information on small businesses, which includes Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE), Women-Owned Small Business (WOB), Small Disadvantaged Business (SDB), 8(a), Service Disabled Veteran Owned Business (SDVOB), Veteran Owned Small Business (VOSB), HubZone, and types of services they seek from the Regional Field Offices. Services and responsibilities of the

Field Offices include business analysis, general management & technical assistance and training, business counseling, outreach services/conference participation, short-term loan and bond assistance. The cumulative data collected will be analyzed by the OSDBU to determine the effectiveness of services provided, including counseling, outreach, and financial services. Such data will also be analyzed by the OSDBU to determine agency effectiveness in assisting small businesses to enhance their opportunities to participate in government contracts and subcontracts. We are required to publish this notice in the **Federal Register** by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13.

*Title:* Small Business Transportation Resource Center Regional Field Office Intake Form (DOT F 4500).

*Form Numbers:* DOT F 4500.

*Type of Review:* Renewal of an information collection.

The Regional Field Offices Intake Form, (DOT F 4500) is used to enroll small business clients into the program in order to create a viable database of firms that can participate in government contracts and subcontracts, especially those projects that are transportation related. Each area on the fillable pdf form must be filled in electronically by the Field Offices and submitted every quarter to OSDBU. The Offices will retain a copy of each Intake Form for their records. The completion of the form is used as a tool for making decisions about the needs of the business, such as; referral to technical assistance agencies for help, identifying the type of profession or trade of the business, the type of certification that the business holds, length of time in business, and location of the firm. This data can assist the Field Offices in developing a business plan or adjusting their business plan to increase its ability to market its goods and services to buyers and potential users of their services.

*Respondents:* SBTRC Regional Field Offices.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 100.

*Frequency:* The information will be collected quarterly.

*Estimated Number of Responses:* 100.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:* 600 hours per year.

*Public Comments Invited:* You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the

information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, by the use of electronic means, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. The agency will summarize and/or include your comments in the request for OMB's clearance of this information collection.

*Authority:* The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. chapter 35, as amended; and 49 CFR 1:48.

Issued in Washington, DC, on May 11, 2023.

**Peter Kontakos,**

*Manager, Regional Assistance Division, Office of Small and Disadvantaged, Business Utilization.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

[Docket No. DOT–OST–2023–0079]

### Request for Information on Advanced Air Mobility

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for information.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Transportation (DOT) is seeking public input on the development of a national strategy on Advanced Air Mobility as required by the Advanced Air Mobility Coordination and Leadership Act. DOT has formed a team composed of multiple executive agencies that is seeking input on a variety of topics as outlined below.

**DATES:** Respondents are invited to submit comments no later than July 17, 2023.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit responses and other comments identified by “RFI Response: Advanced Air Mobility” and Docket No. DOT–OST–2023–0079, by any of the following methods:

- *Federal Rulemaking Portal:* <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- *Email:* [AdvAirMobility\\_IWG@dot.gov](mailto:AdvAirMobility_IWG@dot.gov). Include “RFI Response: Advanced Air Mobility” and Docket No. DOT–OST–2023–0079 in the subject line of the email.
- *Mail/Hand Delivery/Courier:* Docket Operations Office, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE, West Building Room W12–140,

Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, except on Federal holidays. Include “RFI Response: Advanced Air Mobility” and Docket No. DOT–OST–2023–0079 on the cover page of the submission. Because paper mail in the Washington, DC, area is subject to delay, commenters are strongly encouraged to submit comments electronically.

Any submissions received after the deadline may not be accepted or considered.

*Instructions:* DOT encourages the early submission of comments. All submissions should include the docket number for this request for information. All comments received will be posted without change to <https://www.regulations.gov>. All comments, including attachments and other supporting material, will become part of the public record and subject to public disclosure. Comments generally will not be edited to remove any identifying or contact information.

*Confidential Business Information (CBI):* CBI is commercial or financial information that is customarily and actually treated as private by its owner. Under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (5 U.S.C. 552), CBI is exempt from public disclosure. If your comments in response to this RFI contain commercial or financial information that is customarily treated as private, that you actually treat as private, and that is relevant or responsive to this RFI, it is important that you clearly designate the submitted comments as CBI. Please mark each page of your submission containing CBI as “PROPIN” to indicate that it contains proprietary information. DOT will treat such marked submissions as confidential under FOIA and not place them in the public docket of this RFI. Submissions containing CBI should be sent to the name and physical or email address listed below.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Lauralyn Jean Remo Temprosa, Associate Director, Office of Aviation Analysis, Office of the Secretary, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, West Building Room W86–310, Washington, DC 20590. [AdvAirMobility\\_IWG@dot.gov](mailto:AdvAirMobility_IWG@dot.gov), (202) 366–5903.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### I. Background

Advanced Air Mobility (AAM) is an emerging field in which novel aircraft currently in design and testing could provide new levels of accessibility, convenience, and connectivity for people and cargo—and thus transform