§ 1.98 The Research and Innovative Technology Administration.

Is responsible for:

(a) Coordinating, facilitating, and reviewing the Department’s research and development programs and activities, except as related to NHTSA.

(b) After consultation with Operating Administration and OST offices, making recommendations to the Secretary on all Operating Administration and OST research budgets;

(c) Providing leadership on technical, navigation, communication, and systems engineering activities, and spectrum management on behalf of the civil and civilian PNT communities;

(d) Directing and administering university transportation research grants;

(e) In coordination with FHWA, NHTSA, and FMCSA, conducting vehicle-to-vehicle and vehicle-to-infrastructure research;

(f) Advancing Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) research and deployment of real-time multi-modal travel information for travelers, carriers, and public agencies;

(g) Providing oversight of the activities of the Volpe National Transportation Systems Center, the ITS Joint Program Office, the Bureau of Transportation Statistics, and the Transportation Safety Institute; and

(h) Providing technical support to advance the mission of the Secretary’s Safety Council.

§ 1.99 Delegations to the Research and Innovative Technology Administrator.

The Research and Innovative Technology Administrator is delegated authority for the following:

(a) Coordination of departmental research and development programs and activities. (1) Coordinate, facilitate, and review all departmental research and development programs and activities, except those carried out by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, as described in section 4(b) of the Norman Y. Mineta Research and Special Programs Improvement Act (Pub. L. 108–426, 118 Stat. 2423).

(2) After consultation with Operating Administration and OST offices, RITA shall make recommendations to the