

at not less than 5 feet with or without the use of a hearing aid or, if tested by use of an audiometric device, does not have an average hearing loss in the better ear greater than 40 decibels at 500 Hz, 1,000 Hz, and 2,000 Hz with or without a hearing aid when the audiometric device is calibrated to American National Standard (formerly ASA Standard) Z24.5—1951.

This standard was adopted in 1970 and was revised in 1971 to allow drivers to be qualified under this standard while wearing a hearing aid (35 FR 6458, 6463 (Apr. 22, 1970) and 36 FR 12857 (July 8, 1971)).

The 13 individuals listed in this notice have requested renewal of their exemptions from the hearing standard in 49 CFR 391.41(b)(11), in accordance with FMCSA procedures. Accordingly, FMCSA has evaluated these applications for renewal on their merits and decided to extend each exemption for a renewable 2-year period.

IV. Request for Comments

Interested parties or organizations possessing information that would otherwise show that any, or all, of these drivers are not currently achieving the statutory level of safety should immediately notify FMCSA. The Agency will evaluate any adverse evidence submitted and, if safety is being compromised or if continuation of the exemption would not be consistent with the goals and objectives of 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315(b), FMCSA will take immediate steps to revoke the exemption of a driver.

V. Basis for Renewing Exemptions

In accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315(b), each of the 13 applicants have satisfied the renewal conditions for obtaining an exemption from the hearing requirement. The 13 drivers in this notice remain in good standing with the Agency. In addition, the Agency has reviewed each applicant's certified driving record from their State Driver's Licensing Agency (SDLA). The information obtained from each applicant's driving record provides the Agency with details regarding any moving violations or reported crash data, which demonstrates whether the driver has a safe driving history and is an indicator of future driving performance. If the driving record revealed a crash, FMCSA requested and reviewed the related police reports and other relevant documents, such as the citation and conviction information. These factors provide an adequate basis for predicting each driver's ability to continue to safely operate a CMV in interstate commerce. Accordingly,

FMCSA concludes that extending the exemption for each of these drivers for a period of 2 years is likely to achieve a level of safety equivalent to that existing without the exemption.

In accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315(b), the following groups of drivers received renewed exemptions in the month of November and are discussed below.

As of November 3, 2025, and in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315(b), the following six individuals have satisfied the renewal conditions for obtaining an exemption from the hearing requirement in the FMCSRs for interstate CMV drivers:

Richard Carter (MD)
Robert Cates (NM)
Rebecca Haynes (TX)
Mark Howard (NY)
Jonathan Muhm (KY)
Joseph Piros (CA)

The drivers were included in docket numbers FMCSA–2014–0387, FMCSA–2017–0057, FMCSA–2017–0060, FMCSA–2018–0138, FMCSA–2021–0014, or FMCSA–2023–0022. Their exemptions were applicable as of November 3, 2025, and will expire on November 3, 2027.

As of November 19, 2025, and in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315(b), the following seven individuals have satisfied the renewal conditions for obtaining an exemption from the hearing requirement in the FMCSRs for interstate CMV drivers:

Jeffrey Barbuto (NH)
Jason Gensler (OH)
Emil Iontchev (IL)
Jerrell McCrary (NC)
Danny McGowan (WV)
Stuart Randles (FL)
Jennifer Valentine (TX)

The drivers were included in docket numbers FMCSA–2014–0383, FMCSA–2014–0385, FMCSA–2014–0387, FMCSA–2019–0110, or FMCSA–2021–0015. Their exemptions were applicable as of November 19, 2025, and will expire on November 19, 2027.

VI. Terms and Conditions

The exemptions are extended subject to the following conditions: each driver (1) must report to FMCSA any crashes, as defined in 49 CFR 390.5T, within 7 days of the crash; (2) must report to FMCSA any citations and convictions for disqualifying offenses under 49 CFR parts 383 and 391, within 7 days of the citation and conviction; (3) must submit to FMCSA annual certified driving records from their SDLA; and (4) is prohibited from operating a motorcoach or bus with passengers in interstate commerce. The driver must also have a

copy of the exemption when driving, for presentation to a duly authorized Federal, State, or local law enforcement official. In addition, the driver must meet all the applicable commercial driver's license testing requirements. Each exemption will be valid for 2 years unless rescinded earlier by FMCSA. The exemption will be rescinded if: (1) the person fails to comply with the terms and conditions of the exemption; (2) the exemption has resulted in a lower level of safety than was maintained before it was granted; or (3) continuation of the exemption would not be consistent with the goals and objectives of 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315(b).

VII. Preemption

During the period the exemption is in effect, no State shall enforce any law or regulation that conflicts with this exemption with respect to a person operating under the exemption.

VIII. Conclusion

Based upon its evaluation of the 13 exemption renewal applications, FMCSA renews the exemptions of the above-named drivers from the hearing requirement in 49 CFR 391.41(b)(11). In accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315(b), and FMCSA's policy of issuing medical exemptions for a 2-year period to correspond with the medical certificate, each exemption will be valid for 2 years unless revoked earlier by FMCSA.

Larry W. Minor,

Associate Administrator for Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Transit Administration

Limitation on Claims Against Proposed Public Transportation Projects—West Broad Street Bus Rapid Transit, Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio and VIA Advanced Rapid Transit East/West Corridor Project, San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas

AGENCY: Federal Transit Administration (FTA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces final environmental actions taken by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) regarding two projects: the West Broad Street Bus Rapid Transit, Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio; and VIA Advanced Rapid Transit East/West Corridor Project, San Antonio, Bexar

County, Texas. The purpose of this notice is to publicly announce FTA's environmental decisions on the subject projects, and to activate the limitation on any claims that may challenge these final environmental actions.

DATES: A claim seeking judicial review of FTA actions announced herein for the listed public transportation projects will be barred unless the claim is filed on or before May 18, 2026.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kathryn Loster, Assistant Chief Counsel, Office of Chief Counsel, (202) 360-2322, or Saadat Khan, Environmental Protection Specialist, Office of Environmental Policy and Programs, (202) 366-6385. FTA is located at 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590. Office hours are from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that FTA has taken final agency actions subject to 23 U.S.C. 139(l) by issuing certain approvals for the public transportation projects listed below. The actions on the projects, as well as the laws under which such actions were taken, are described in the documentation issued in connection with the projects to comply with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and in other documents in the FTA environmental project files for the projects. Interested parties may contact either the project sponsor or the relevant FTA Regional Office for more information. Contact information for FTA's Regional Offices may be found at <https://www.transit.dot.gov/about/regional-offices/regional-offices>.

This notice applies to all FTA decisions on the listed projects as of the issuance date of this notice and all laws under which such actions were taken, including, but not limited to, NEPA (42 U.S.C. 4321-4375), Section 4(f) requirements (49 U.S.C. 303), Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (54 U.S.C. 306108), the Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C. 1531), the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1251), the Uniform Relocation and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act (42 U.S.C. 4601), and the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q). This notice does not, however, alter or extend the limitation period for challenges of project decisions subject to previous notices published in the **Federal Register**. The project actions that are the subject of this notice are as follows:

1. *Project name and location:* West Broad Street Bus Rapid Transit (BRT), Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio.

Project Sponsor: Central Ohio Transit Authority (COTA).

Project description: The West Broad Street BRT (Project) corridor is approximately 9.3 miles in length and would operate in 5.2 miles of dedicated guideway and 4.1 miles of mixed-flow traffic along West Broad Street from Rockbrook Crossing Avenue in Prairie Township to Long Street and Washington Avenue in Downtown Columbus. The Project includes the construction of 17 near-level boarding stations with Americans with Disabilities Act accessibility and off-board fare collection; end of line layover facilities; mixed-flow traffic and dedicated center running bus lanes; transit signal priority; traffic signal reconstruction; bicycle lanes; shared-use paths; sidewalk reconstruction and associated infrastructure and stormwater improvements. The Project also involves construction of a new Rockbrook Crossing Park and Ride end of layover facility. In addition, the COTA McKinley Avenue Garage would be upgraded to support the maintenance and operation of the Project's transit vehicles.

Final agency action: Section 106 No Adverse Effect determination, dated July 25, 2025; Section 4(f) *de minimis* impact determination, dated October 3, 2025; and determination of the applicability of a categorical exclusion pursuant to 23 CFR 771.118(d), dated October 3, 2025.

Supporting documentation: COTA West Broad Bus Rapid Transit Project Documented Categorical Exclusion (CE), dated September 10, 2025. The CE and associated documents can be viewed and downloaded from: <https://linkuscolumbus.com/westbroad/>.

2. *Project name and location:* VIA Advanced Rapid Transit (ART) East/West Corridor Project, San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas.

Project Sponsor: VIA Metropolitan Transit.

Project description: The VIA ART East/West Corridor Project (Project) is an approximately 7.3-mile BRT line operating in a mix of center dedicated lanes, curbside dedicated Business Access and Transit lanes, and mixed traffic lanes within the City of San Antonio. The Project corridor extends from Coca-Cola Place in the east through downtown San Antonio to General McMullen Drive in the west along East Houston Street, Cherry Street, Commerce Street, Buena Vista Street, Dolorosa Street, and Market Street. The Project also includes transit signal priority and construction of 18 new or modified stations. Stations are planned to include amenities such as off-board fare collection; real-time arrival information; security cameras; lighting; and platforms for level boarding.

Final agency action: Section 106 No Adverse Effect determination, dated October 8, 2025; Section 4(f) *de minimis* impact determination, dated November 25, 2025; and determination of the applicability of a categorical exclusion pursuant to 23 CFR 771.118(d), dated November 25, 2025.

Supporting documentation: VIA Advanced Rapid Transit East/West Corridor Project Documented Categorical Exclusion and supporting materials, dated October 31, 2025. The CE and associated documents can be viewed and downloaded from: <https://keepsamoving.com/projects/via-rapid/via-rapid-silver-line/>.

Authority: 23 U.S.C. 139(l)(1).

Megan Blum,

Deputy Associate Administrator for Planning and Environment.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of Foreign Assets Control

Notice of OFAC Sanctions Actions

AGENCY: Office of Foreign Assets Control, Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) is publishing the name of one or more persons that have been placed on OFAC's Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List (SDN List) based on OFAC's determination that one or more applicable legal criteria were satisfied. All property and interests in property subject to U.S. jurisdiction of these persons are blocked, and U.S. persons are generally prohibited from engaging in transactions with them.

DATES: This action was issued on December 17, 2025. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for relevant dates.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: OFAC: Associate Director for Global Targeting, 202-622-2420; Assistant Director for Sanctions Compliance, 202-622-2490; or <https://ofac.treasury.gov/contact-ofac>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Availability

The SDN List and additional information concerning OFAC sanctions programs are available on OFAC's website: <https://ofac.treasury.gov>.

Notice of OFAC Action

On December 17, 2025, OFAC determined that the property and