

collect, detain, treat, and discharge stormwater runoff from new impervious surface that results from the roadway widening.

### Probable Effects

The FHWA and WSDOT will evaluate all transportation, environmental, social, and economic effects of the alternatives. Potential areas of impact include: Natural and cultural resources; land use; social and economic elements; and, traffic and noise. All effects will be evaluated for both the construction period and the long-term period of operation. Indirect and cumulative impacts will also be evaluated. Measures to avoid, minimize, and mitigate any significant effects will be developed.

### Scoping

**Agency Coordination:** The project sponsors are working with the local, state and federal resource agencies to implement regular opportunities for coordination during the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process. This process will comply with SAFETEA-LU section 6002.

**Tribal Coordination:** The formal Tribal government consultation will occur through government-to-government collaboration.

The date and address of the public scoping meeting is given in the **DATES** section above. The WSDOT assures full compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 by prohibiting discrimination based on race, color, national origin and sex in the provision of benefits and services. For language interpretation services please contact Chris Tams at (360) 759-1310 or 1 (866) 279-0730. For information on the WSDOT Title VI Program, please contact the Title VI Coordinator at (360) 705-7098.

To ensure that a full range of issues related to this proposed action are addressed and all significant issues identified, comments and suggestions are invited from interested parties. Comments or questions concerning this proposal will be accepted at the public meeting or may be sent to the Washington State Department of Transportation Southwest Region at the address provided above.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation on Federal Programs and activities apply to this program.)

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

#### Notice of Informational Filing

In accordance with Section 236.913 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), notice is hereby given that the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) has received an informational filing from the Northeast Illinois Regional Commuter Railroad Corporation (Metra) to permit field testing of the railroad's processor-based train control system. The informational filing is described below, including the requisite docket number where the informational filing and any related information may be found. The document is also available for public inspection; however, FRA is not accepting public comments.

#### Northeast Illinois Regional Commuter Railroad Corporation

[Docket Number FRA-2008-0057]

Metra has submitted an informational filing to permit field testing of the railroad's processor-based train control system identified as Electronic Train Management System (ETMS). The informational filing addresses the requirements under 49 CFR 236.913(j)(1).

Specifically, the informational filing contains a description of the ETMS product and an operational concepts document, pursuant to 49 CFR 236.913(j)(1). The ETMS is a locomotive-centric, non-vital system designed to be overlaid on existing methods of operation and to provide an improved level of railroad safety through enforcement of a train's authority limits and both permanent and temporary speed restrictions. An associated temporary waiver petition has also been submitted to support field testing of Metra's ETMS pursuant to 49 CFR Sections 211.7 and 211.51, and can be found in the same docket as this informational filing (FRA-2008-0057).

Metra desires to commence field testing on or about July 1, 2008, or as soon as practicable thereafter, contingent upon FRA's acceptance and approval of their informational filing. Metra intends to test and develop ETMS on its Rock Island District between Chicago, IL and Joliet, IL.

Interested parties are invited to review the informational filing and associated documents at DOT's Docket Management facility during regular business hours (9 a.m.-5 p.m.) at 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590. All documents in the public docket are available for inspection and copying on the internet at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Anyone is able to search the electronic form of any written communications received into any of our dockets by name of the individual submitting the document (or signing the document, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review the DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (Volume 65, Number 70; Pages 19477-78).

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

#### Petition for Waiver of Compliance

In accordance with Part 211 of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), notice is hereby given that the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) has received a request for temporary waiver of compliance with certain requirements of its safety standards. The individual petition is described below, including the party seeking relief, the regulatory provisions involved, and the nature of the relief being requested.

#### Northeast Illinois Regional Commuter Railroad Corporation

[Docket Number FRA-2008-0057]

The Northeast Illinois Regional Commuter Railroad Corporation (Metra) has submitted a temporary waiver petition to support field testing of its processor-based train control system, identified as Electronic Train Management System (ETMS), pursuant to 49 CFR Sections 211.7 and 211.51.

An informational filing, as required under 49 CFR Part 236, Subpart H, has also been prepared and submitted in conjunction with this waiver petition, and can be found in the same docket as this waiver petition (FRA-2008-0057).

ETMS is a locomotive-centric, non-vital system, designed to be overlaid on

existing methods of operation and to provide an improved level of railroad safety through enforcement of a train's authority limits and both permanent and temporary speed restrictions. Metra desires to commence field testing on or about July 1, 2008, or as soon as practicable thereafter, contingent upon FRA's acceptance and approval of the associated informational filing and this waiver petition. Metra intends to test and develop ETMS on its Rock Island District between Chicago, IL, and Joliet, IL.

Metra is seeking regulatory relief for development testing and demonstration purposes only. Specifically, Metra is requesting regulatory relief from the following FRA requirements:

- 49 CFR 216.13 (Special Notice for Repairs—Locomotive);
- 49 CFR 217.9 (Program of Operational Tests and Inspections—Recordkeeping);
- 49 CFR 217.11 (Program of Instruction on Operating Rules—Recordkeeping, Electronic Recordkeeping);
- 49 CFR Part 218, Subpart D (Prohibition against Tampering with Safety Devices);
- 49 CFR 229.7 (Prohibited Acts);
- 49 CFR 229.135 (Event Recorders);
- 49 CFR 233.9 (Reports);
- 49 CFR 235.5 (Changes Requiring Filing of Application);
- 49 CFR 240.127 (Criteria for Examining Skill Performance); and
- 49 CFR 240.129 (Criteria for Monitoring Operational Performance of Certified Engineers).

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number (Docket Number FRA-2008-0057) and may be submitted by one of the following methods:

- *Web site:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- *Fax:* 202-493-2251.
- *Mail:* Docket Operations Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., W12-140, Washington, DC 20590.
- *Hand Delivery:* 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested party desires an opportunity for oral comment, they should notify

FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

Communications received within 30 days of the date of this notice will be considered by FRA before final action being taken. Comments received after this period will be considered as far as practicable. All written communications concerning these proceedings are available for examination during regular business hours (9 a.m.–5 p.m.) at the DOT Docket Management Facility, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Room W12-140, in Washington, DC. All documents in the public docket are also available for inspection and copying on the internet at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Anyone is able to search the electronic form of any written communications and comments received into any of our dockets by name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review the DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (Volume 65, Number 70; Pages 19477-78).

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Transit Administration

#### Privacy Act of 1974: System of Records

**AGENCY:** Federal Transit Administration (FTA).

**ACTION:** Notice to establish a system of records.

**SUMMARY:** DOT intends to establish a system of records under the Privacy Act of 1974. The Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, 5 U.S.C. 552a, requires that agencies that maintain a system of records publish a notice in the **Federal Register** of the existence and character of the system of records. In accordance with the Privacy Act, the Department of Transportation (DOT) is giving notice of a system of records to meet the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA's) needs for emergency contact information in case of illness or injury to its employees and contractors.

**DATES: Effective Date:** This notice will be effective, without further notice, on July 15, 2008, unless modified by a

subsequent notice to incorporate comments received by the public. Comments must be received by July 7, 2008 to be assured consideration.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Habib Azarsina, Departmental Privacy Officer, S-80, United States Department of Transportation, Office of the Secretary of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Ave, SE., Washington, DC 20590, telephone 202-366-1965 or [habib.azarsina@dot.gov](mailto:habib.azarsina@dot.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Department of Transportation system of records notice subject to the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended, has been published in the **Federal Register** and is available from the above mentioned address.

**SYSTEM NUMBER:** DOT/FTA 802.

#### SYSTEM NAME:

The Operational Assets and Information Security (OASIS) System.

#### SECURITY CLASSIFICATION:

Unclassified, Non-Sensitive.

#### SYSTEM LOCATION:

This system of record is in the Office of Information Technology for the Department of Transportation/Federal Transit Administration, Integrated Communication Solutions data center located at 5260 Westview Drive, Frederick, MD 21703.

#### CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM OF RECORDS:

FTA employees and contractors

#### CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM

Information maintained in this system consists of employee/contractor work information in the form of room number, work telephone number, and systems to which the employees have access. The system also stores employee/contractor home addresses and telephone numbers.

#### AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:

49 U.S.C. 321.

#### PURPOSES:

Employee/contractor personal information is encouraged in case of emergency where the individual's family may need to be reached. Input of this information is not mandatory and is provided at the individual's option. Also, no record subject is able to see the information of any other record subject.

#### ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

See Prefatory Statement of General Routine Uses.