telephone: 816–516–7168, email: *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 PTC Safety Plan (PTCSP), a host railroad must submit, and obtain FRA's approval of, an RFA to its PTC system or 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 July 20, 2023, LIRR submitted an RFA to its ACSES II PTC system which seeks FRA's approval for a three-month outage from September 15, 2023, to December 15, 2023, to support the construction of an extension of the Patchogue Siding and associated signal system changes. That RFA is available in Docket No. FRA–2010–0031.

Interested parties are invited to comment on LIRR's RFA to its PTC system by submitting written comments or data. During FRA's review of LIRR'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 PTC system 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 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.

Carolyn R. Hayward-Williams,

Director, Office of Railroad Systems and Technology.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket Number FRA–2023–0031]

Petition for Waiver of Compliance; Reopening of Comment Period

Under part 211 of title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), this document provides the public notice that by communication received July 7, 2023, Amtrak requested that the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) re-open the period for public comment on Amtrak's request for a waiver of compliance from certain provisions of the Federal railroad safety regulations contained at 49 CFR parts 215 (Railroad Freight Car Safety Standards), 229 (Railroad Locomotive Safety Standards), 232 (Brake System Safety Standards for Freight and Other Non-Passenger Trains and Equipment; End-of-Train Devices), and 238 (Passenger Equipment Safety Standards). The relevant Docket Number is FRA–2023–0031.

Specifically, Amtrak requests to re-open the comment period regarding its petition to use virtual reality simulation assessments to satisfy the ''hands-on'' portion of periodic refresher training to remain qualified per § 215.11(b), § 229.5, § 232.203(b)(8), and § 238.109. Amtrak requested that FRA re-open the comment period for an additional 45 days ''to allow Amtrak more time to address some of the concerns the labor organizations outline in their comments.'' Previously, FRA had published a notice establishing a comment period open until July 5, 2023 (88 FR 29176, May 5, 2023).[1] By this notice, FRA grants Amtrak's request to re-open the comment period for 45 days.

A copy of the communication, the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, are available for review online at *www.regulations.gov.*

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. 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 and a public hearing, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number and may be submitted at *http://www.regulations.gov.* Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

Communications received by September 18, 2023 will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered if practicable.

Anyone can search the electronic form of any written communications and comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the document, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). Under 5 U.S.C. 553(c), U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) solicits comments from the public to better inform its processes. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to *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 also *https://www.regulations.gov/privacy-notice* for the privacy notice of *regulations.gov.*

Issued in Washington, DC.

John Karl Alexy,

Associate Administrator for Railroad Safety, Chief Safety Officer.

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[1] *See https://www.regulations.gov/document/FRA-2023-0031-0002.*

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Transit Administration

FY 2023 Emergency Relief Grants for Public Transportation Systems Affected by Major Declared Disasters in Calendar Years 2017, 2020, 2021, and 2022

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

ACTION: Notice of re-opening application submissions and revised requirements.

SUMMARY: The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) is re-opening the application period for grants under the Public Transportation Emergency Relief

Program (Emergency Relief Program) for States, Territories, local government authorities, Indian Tribes, and other FTA recipients affected by major declared disasters for 90 days.

DATES: Complete proposals must be submitted electronically to opportunity FTA–2023–011–TPM–ER through the *GRANTS.GOV* ''APPLY'' function by October 31, 2023. However, applications received within the first 30 days will be provided priority.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thomas Wilson, Emergency Relief Program Manager, Office of Program Management, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE, Washington, DC 20590, phone: (202) 366–5279, or email, *Thomas.Wilson@dot.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

On March 27, 2023, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) announced the opportunity to apply for $212,301,048 in grants under the Public Transportation Emergency Relief Program (Emergency Relief Program) for States, Territories, local government authorities, Indian Tribes, and other FTA recipients affected by major declared disasters in calendar years 2017, 2020, 2021, and 2022 (88 FR 18210). The deadline for proposals was May 26, 2023. After the initial allocation of $102,325,551 in funding, $109,975,497 remains to be allocated to eligible recipients.

By this notice, FTA is re-opening the application submission period for 90 days. Applicants who submitted proposals prior to May 26, 2023, do not need to re-submit. Applications during this period must be submitted to opportunity FTA–2023–011–TPM–ER through GRANTS.GOV.

FTA will review applications and make additional funding allocations on a rolling basis, with the first review taking place for any application submitted within the first 30 days of the publication of this notice. If funding remains, additional applications will be evaluated after the final submission deadline of October 31, 2023.

The March 27, 2023, notice stated a maximum Federal share for all grants awarded via that notice would be 90 percent of the net project cost unless the project is in response to, or recovery from, a major declared disaster in an insular area, in which case the maximum Federal share would be 100 percent (48 U.S.C. 1469a). The notice also invited applicants from other than insular areas to request a waiver of the non-Federal share requirement (49 U.S.C. 5324(e)(3)). FTA noted its ability to provide a waiver and fully fund an applicant's request may depend on total requests from all applicants. By this notice, FTA is waiving the non-Federal match requirement for all prospective applicants and invites eligible applicants to apply for funding at 100 percent Federal share. Consistent with the March 27, 2023, notice, expenses related to COVID–19 response or recovery are not eligible.

All other eligibilities and requirements stated in the March 27, 2023 notice apply. Interested applicants should review that notice (88 FR 18210) for additional information. Further information, including a recording of the webinar held April 6, 2023, can be found on FTA's website at *https://www.transit.dot.gov/notices-funding/public-transportation-emergency-relief-funds-transit-systems-affected-major*.

Nuria I. Fernandez,

Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of Foreign Assets Control

Notice of OFAC Sanctions Actions

AGENCY: Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) is publishing the names of one or more persons whose property and interests in property have been unblocked and who have been removed from the Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List.

DATES: See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for applicable date(s).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: *OFAC:* Associate Director for Global Targeting, tel: 202–622–2420; Assistant Director for Licensing, tel.: 202–622–2480; Assistant Director for Regulatory Affairs, tel.: 202–622–4855; or Assistant Director for Sanctions Compliance & Evaluation, tel.: 202–622–2490.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Availability

The Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List (SDN List) and additional information concerning OFAC sanctions programs are available on OFAC's website (*https://ofac.treasury.gov*).

Notice of OFAC Actions

On June 29, 2023, OFAC determined that the property and interests in property subject to U.S. jurisdiction of the following persons are unblocked and they have been removed from the SDN List.

Individual

1. APIKIAN, Philipp Paul Vartan; DOB 15 Jan 1969; POB Geneva, Switzerland; citizen Switzerland; Gender Male; Passport X0062329 (Switzerland) issued 27 Feb 2012 expires 26 Feb 2022 (individual) [VENEZUELA–EO13850].

Entity

1. SWISSOIL TRADING SA, Rue Pierre-Fatio 15, Geneva 1204, Switzerland; website *https://www.swissoil.trading/;* V.A.T. Number CHE–104.851.121 (Switzerland) [VENEZUELA–EO13850].

Dated: July 28, 2023.

Andrea M. Gacki,

Director, Office of Foreign Assets Control, U.S. Department of the Treasury.

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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.

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DATES: See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for applicable date(s).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: OFAC: Andrea Gacki, Director, tel.: 202–622–2490; Associate Director for Global Targeting, tel.: 202–622–2420; Assistant Director for Licensing, tel.: 202–622–2480; Assistant Director for Regulatory Affairs, tel.: 202–622–4855; or the Assistant Director for Sanctions Compliance & Evaluation, tel.: 202–622–2490.

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 Actions

On July 28, 2023, OFAC removed from the SDN List the persons listed below, whose property and interests in property were blocked pursuant to the relevant sanctions authorities listed