



National Transportation Safety Board

Washington, DC 20594

Safety Recommendation

Date: October 22, 2014

In reply refer to: R-14-47

The Honorable Joseph C. Szabo
Administrator
Federal Railroad Administration
Washington, DC 20590

On September 24, 2014, the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) adopted its special investigation report on railroad and rail transit roadway worker protection.¹ Additional information about this investigation and the resulting recommendations may be found in the report of the investigation, which can be accessed at our website, <http://www.nts.gov>, under report number SIR-14/03.

As a result of this investigation, we reiterated and reclassified Safety Recommendation R-08-4 to the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority and issued 15 new safety recommendations, including recommendations to the Federal Railroad Administration, the Federal Transit Administration, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, and the following safety recommendation to the Fatality Analysis of Maintenance-of-Way Employees and Signalmen Committee:

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Include in your publications data on all roadway worker fatalities, regardless of whether the employee is performing roadway worker tasks as defined by the Federal Railroad Administration.

Acting Chairman HART, and Members SUMWALT, ROSEKIND, and WEENER concurred in these recommendations.

The NTSB is vitally interested in this recommendation because it is designed to prevent accidents and save lives. We would appreciate receiving a response from you within 90 days

¹ National Transportation Safety Board, *Special Investigation Report on Railroad and Rail Transit Roadway Worker Protection*, SIR-14/03 (Washington, DC: National Transportation Safety Board, 2014).

detailing the actions you have taken or intend to take to implement it. When replying, please refer to the safety recommendation by number. We encourage you to submit your response electronically to correspondence@ntsb.gov.

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By: Christopher A. Hart,
Acting Chairman