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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Mark Hartong, PE, Senior Scientific Technical Advisor at (202) 493-1332, Mark.Hartong@dot.gov; or Mr. David Blackmore, Railroad Safety Program Manager for Advanced Technology at (312) 835-3903, David.Blackmore@dot.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket Number FRA-2015-0068]

Petition for Waiver of Compliance

In accordance with part 211 of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), this document provides the public notice that by a document dated June 18, 2015, the Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority (SEPTA) has petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) for a waiver of compliance from certain provisions of the Federal railroad safety regulations contained at 49 CFR 238.309(b)(2). FRA assigned the petition Docket Number FRA-2015-0068.

Title 49 CFR 238.309(b)(2) requires that brake equipment and brake

cylinders of each multiple unit (MU) locomotive be cleaned, repaired, and tested at intervals of every 1,104 days if the MU locomotive is part of a fleet that is 100 percent equipped with air dryers, and has a brake system using RT-5A-style valves (among others). The RT-5A+ brake system in use on the Silverliner V MU fleet employs a microprocessor-based control system, and uses active and passive diagnostics to monitor brake performance. Currently, other air brake systems that incorporate microprocessor controls are subject to overhaul intervals of 1,840 days (see 49 CFR 238.309(b)(3) and 238.309(e)(1)). SEPTA therefore submitted an alternate proposal to increase the periodic brake equipment maintenance interval for the Silverliner V air brake system to a minimum of 1,840 days.

A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at www.regulations.gov and in person at the U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT) Docket Operations Facility, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., W12-140, Washington, DC 20590. The Docket Operations Facility is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

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, 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 by any of the following methods:

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Communications received by November 23, 2015 will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered as far as practicable.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Transit Administration

Fiscal Year 2015 Innovative Public Transportation Workforce Development Program Project Selections

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

ACTION: Innovative Public Transportation Workforce Development Program Announcement of Project Selections.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT), Federal Transit Administration (FTA) announces the selection of projects for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2015 Innovative Public Transportation Workforce Development Program (Workforce Development Program). Under the prior authorization, the Workforce Development Program was authorized under 49 U.S.C. 5322. Under the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21) Act, the program is authorized at 49 U.S.C. 5322(b). These projects are funded with a combination of \$4 million of unallocated Section 5314 Federal funds appropriated in FY 2012, and a total of \$5.5 million authorized under MAP-21 and appropriated in FYs 2013, 2014, and 2015 for Section 5322. These program dollars will provide financial assistance to promote diverse and innovative workforce development models and programs that specifically

target unemployment training programs, outreach to increase minority and female employment, and training for minority business opportunities.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

FTA's Office of Research, Demonstration and Innovation (TRI) will contact successful applicants regarding next steps in applying for the funds or program-specific information (see Table 1 below). Unsuccessful Workforce Development Program applicants may contact Mackenzie Thiessen, Office of Research Management; at email address mackenzie.thiessen@dot.gov to arrange a proposal debriefing within 30 days of this announcement. Telecommunications Devices for the Deaf (TDD) is available at 1-800-877-8339 (TDD/FIRS).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 24, 2014, FTA published a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) (79 FR 63659, which can be found at <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2014-10-24/pdf/2014-25310.pdf>) announcing the availability of approximately \$9.5 million. In response to the Workforce Development Program NOFA, FTA received 50 proposals requesting approximately \$27 million in Federal funds. The FTA evaluated project proposals based on each applicant's responsiveness to the program evaluation criteria as detailed in the NOFA. The FTA is funding 19 Workforce Development projects, as shown in Table 1, for a total of \$9,481,721. These competitive program funds will support projects at transit and local government agencies, academic institutions, and nationwide that will recruit, train, retain, and educate a high-quality transportation

workforce to meet current and future transportation industry needs.

Applicants selected for competitive discretionary funding for the Workforce Development Program should work with FTA's TRI staff identified in the contacts section of this notice to finalize the cooperative agreements in FTA's Transportation Electronic Awards Management System (TEAM) or its successor system, so that Federal funds can be obligated expeditiously.

Cooperative agreements must include only eligible activities applied for in the original project application. The Federal funds must be used consistent with the competitive proposal and for the eligible purposes established in the NOFA and described in FTA Circular 6100.1E, *Research, Technical Assistance and Training Program: Application Instructions and Program Management Guidelines*. In cases where the allocation amount is less than the applicant's requested amount, applicants should work with TRI staff to reduce scope or scale the project as needed. Applicants are reminded that program requirements such as cost sharing or local match can be found in the NOFA. Under the FY 2015 Workforce Development Program, all projects are required to have at least 50 percent local match. Local match must be consistent with the proposed match identified in the applicant's proposal, identified in the cooperative agreement at the time of obligation, and available at the time of expenditure. The FTA has assigned a discretionary research project identification number to each project (see Table 1 of this notice) for tracking purposes and must be used in the TEAM or successor system, application.

Applicants interested in requesting pre-award authority should contact the

program manager listed above. Pre-award authority may be granted through the issuance of a Letter of No Prejudice in accordance with FTA's Pre-award Authority Policy, set forth in the FY 2015 Annual Apportionments, Allocations, and Program Information Notice, published on February, 9, 2015 and available at <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-02-09/pdf/2015-02555.pdf>.

Post-award reporting requirements include submission of the Federal Financial Report and Milestone Progress reports in TEAM as appropriate (see FTA Circular 6100.1E) and a narrative summary of project activities. The grantees must comply with all applicable Federal statutes, regulations, executive orders, FTA circulars, and other Federal requirements detailed in the FY 2015 Master Agreement in carrying out the project supported by the FTA research grant. The FY 2015 Master Agreement can be found at the following Internet address: <http://www.fta.dot.gov/documents/21-Master.pdf>.

Each recipient will provide the necessary measurable outcomes and deliverables for Congressional reporting efforts as mandated under MAP-21. This information will also be used to conduct an anticipated program evaluation of the 2015 Workforce Development projects.

The FTA emphasizes that grantees must follow all third-party procurement guidance, as described in FTA Circular 4220.1F, *Third Party Contracting Guidance*.

Therese W. McMillan,
Acting Administrator.

TABLE 1—INNOVATIVE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Project ID	State	Project sponsor	Project description	Amount
D2015-WFD-001	CA	Los Angeles Trade-Technical College	Institute for Advanced Transportation Technology Training.	\$750,000
D2015-WFD-002	CA	Community Career Development, Inc	Moving Employees into Transit Related Opportunities (METRO) program.	331,313
D2015-WFD-003	CA	Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA).	Discover Opportunities—In Transit! (DO IT!) program.	200,000
D2015-WFD-004	CA	Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART).	Transit Career Ladders Training (TCLT) Program.	750,000
D2015-WFD-005	CO	Regional Transportation District (RTD)	Workforce Investment Now! (WIN) Program.	663,256
D2015-WFD-006	FL	Jacksonville Transportation Authority (JTA).	Back-2-Work Program	200,000
D2015-WFD-007	IL	Chicago Transit Authority (CTA)	Second Chance Program	750,000
D2015-WFD-008	MA	Massachusetts Department of Transportation.	Construction Career Development (MCCD) Program.	750,000
D2015-WFD-009	MD	International Transportation Learning Center.	Rail Car Workforce Program	750,000

TABLE 1—INNOVATIVE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM—Continued

Project ID	State	Project sponsor	Project description	Amount
D2015-WFD-12010; D2015-WFD-13010; D2015-WFD-14010; D2015-WFD-15010.	MD	International Transportation Learning Center.	Signaling Career Pathways Program. D2015-WFD-12010 (\$4,185); D2015-WFD-13010 (\$535); D2015-WFD-14010 (\$564,517); D2015-WFD-15010 (\$4,945).	574,182
D2015-WFD-011	MN	Metropolitan Council/Metro Transit	Mass Transit Technician (MTT) Program.	203,210
D2015-WFD-012	NJ	Jersey City Employment Training Program, Inc. (JCETP).	The Jersey City Employment Training Program, Inc. (JCETP).	604,896
D2015-WFD-013	NY	NY Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA).	Workforce Investment Now—New York (WIN—NY) program.	739,605
D2015-WFD-014	NY	Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority.	Skilled Laborer Jobs Training Program.	303,000
D2015-WFD-015	OH	Greater Cleveland Regional Transportation Authority (GCRTA).	Career Pathways Program (CPP)	407,780
D2015-WFD-016	OK	Grand Gateway Economic Development Association (EDA).	N2N Automotive University	399,933
D2015-WFD-017	TX	Texoma Area Paratransit System, Inc	TAPS University Employment Enrichment Initiative.	427,770
D2015-WFD-018	WA	Intercity Transit	Village Vans Program	200,000
D2015-WFD-019	WA	Workforce Development Council of Snohomish County.	Puget Sound Region Ladders to Opportunity Initiative.	476,776
Total	9,481,721

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[Docket No. NHTSA-2015-0092; Notice 1]

DRV, LLC, Receipt of Petition for Decision of Inconsequential Noncompliance

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Receipt of petition.

SUMMARY: DRV, LLC (DRV), a wholly owned subsidiary of Thor Industries, Inc., has determined that certain model year (MY) 2003–2016 DRV trailers do not fully comply with paragraph S8.1 of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 108, *Lamps, Reflective Devices, and Associated Equipment*. DRV filed a report dated July 31, 2015, pursuant to 49 CFR part 573, *Defect and Noncompliance Responsibility and Reports*. On August 18, 2015, subsequent to filing the subject petition, DRV revised that report to include more complete information concerning the affected vehicles.

DATES: The closing date for comments on the petition is November 9, 2015.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments on this petition. Comments must refer to the docket and

notice number cited at the beginning of this notice and submitted by any of the following methods:

- **Mail:** Send comments by mail addressed to: U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M–30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590.

- **Hand Deliver:** Deliver comments by hand to: U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M–30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590. The Docket Section is open on weekdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. except Federal Holidays.

- **Electronically:** Submit comments electronically by: Logging onto the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) Web site at <http://www.regulations.gov/>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Comments may also be faxed to (202) 493–2251.

Comments must be written in the English language, and be no greater than 15 pages in length, although there is no limit to the length of necessary attachments to the comments. If comments are submitted in hard copy form, please ensure that two copies are provided. If you wish to receive confirmation that your comments were received, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed postcard with the comments. Note that all comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov/>, including any personal information provided.

Documents submitted to a docket may be viewed by anyone at the address and times given above. The documents may also be viewed on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> by following the online instructions for accessing the dockets. DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement is available for review in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000, (65 FR 19477–78).

The petition, supporting materials, and all comments received before the close of business on the closing date indicated above will be filed and will be considered. All comments and supporting materials received after the closing date will also be filed and will be considered to the extent possible. When the petition is granted or denied, notice of the decision will be published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to the authority indicated below.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Overview

Pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 30118(d) and 30120(h) (see implementing rule at 49 CFR part 556), DRV submitted a petition for an exemption from the notification and remedy requirements of 49 U.S.C. Chapter 301 on the basis that this noncompliance is inconsequential to motor vehicle safety.

This notice of receipt of DRV's petition is published under 49 U.S.C. 30118 and 30120 and does not represent any agency decision or other exercise of judgment concerning the merits of the petition.