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Mr. Chris Taft  
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May 13, 2021

Dear Mr. Taft:

This letter responds to the Metro-North Railroad submission effective June 29, 2021, to the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) seeking approval of its material modifications to the Engineer Certification Program received by FRA on April 15, 2021. MNCW has complied with FRA's procedures for submission and approval of programs as described in Appendix B to 49 CFR part 240.

FRA reviewed the railroad's program modification and determined that the railroad's program modification conforms with the requirements of 49 CFR part 240 for the reasons discussed below.

Your submission states that on April 5, 2021, the railroad provided a copy of its program modification to the president of the ACRE-9 labor organization representing the railroad's employees. FRA received no comments on the program or program modification by the labor organization.

The program administrative modifications with updated contact information are consistent with the MNCW program previously approved. FRA accepts the examination modifications under Section 4G tenant engineer certification process.

Please continue in your efforts to improve railroad safety on your system.

Please contact me with any questions regarding this submission at (202) 366-0978 or [FRAOPCERTPROG@dot.gov](mailto:FRAOPCERTPROG@dot.gov) or [Kevin.Lewis@dot.gov](mailto:Kevin.Lewis@dot.gov)

Sincerely,

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