

## **NOTICE**

### **The FRA Administrator's Declaration of Emergency Event**

Pursuant to Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) § 211.45, Federal Railroad Administration Administrator Ronald L. Batory has determined that the current conditions of extreme cold, ice, wind, and severe winter weather in various parts of the United States constitute an “emergency event” as related to railroad operations. In making this determination, the Administrator notes that the National Weather Service has documented severe winter weather effects stretching across the nation that include record low temperatures, large amounts of snow and ice and strong winds. The Administrator also notes that the governors of Wisconsin, Michigan and Illinois have declared emergencies as a result of the severe winter weather. Therefore, the Administrator has activated the *Emergency Relief Docket* (FRA-2019-0001) as of January 31, 2019 and the emergency relief provisions of 49 CFR § 211.45 are in effect.