

NOTICE

The FRA Administrator's Declaration of Emergency Event

Pursuant to Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) § 211.45, the Federal Railroad Administration's (FRA) Administrator, Joseph C. Szabo, has determined that the severe winter storms and blizzards in the Northeast United States, including Connecticut, New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Maine constitutes an "emergency event" as related to railroad operations. In making this determination, the Administrator notes that Governors of affected States have declared states of emergency and/or have activated the Emergency Operations Centers. Therefore, the Administrator has activated the *Emergency Relief Docket* (FRA-2013-0001) as of February 8, 2013, and the emergency relief provisions of 49 CFR § 211.45 are in effect.