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Federal Railroad Administration

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 current conditions of extreme cold, ice, 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 strong winds. Therefore, the Administrator has activated the *Emergency Relief Docket* (FRA-2014-0001) as of January 7, 2014, and the emergency relief provisions of 49 CFR § 211.45 are in effect.