

NOTICE

The FRA Deputy 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) Deputy Administrator, Karen J. Rae, has determined that the recent and predicted additional significant weather events, including severe storms, tornados, and associated flooding, in the southeastern United States constitute an "emergency event" as related to railroad operations. In making this determination, the Deputy Administrator notes that the President has signed Major Disaster Declarations for Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, and Tennessee, related to the recent significant weather events. Therefore, the Deputy Administrator has activated the *Emergency Relief Docket* (FRA-2011-0003) as of May 2, 2011, and the emergency relief provisions of 49 CFR § 211.45 are in effect.