

significantly reducing the number of switching events required to replace wheel-sets as CN will no longer have to remove cars from trains at this location and place them in specialized repair tracks to replace the wheel-set.”

A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested parties desire an opportunity for oral comment and a public hearing, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

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Communications received by August 26, 2024 will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered if practicable.

Anyone can search the electronic form of any written communications and comments received into any of the Department of Transportation’s (DOT) dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the document, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). Under 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its processes. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL–14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at <https://www.transportation.gov/privacy>. See also <https://www.regulations.gov/privacy-notice> for the privacy notice of [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket Number FRA–2009–0096]

#### Petition for Extension of Waiver of Compliance

Under part 211 of title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), this document provides the public notice that by letter dated April 10, 2024, New Jersey Transit Rail Operations (NJT) petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) for an extension of a waiver of compliance from certain provisions of the Federal railroad safety regulations contained at 49 CFR part 240 (Qualification and Certification of Locomotive Engineers) and part 242 (Qualification and Certification of Conductors). The relevant Docket Number is FRA–2009–0096.<sup>1</sup>

Specifically, NJT requests relief required to continue participation in FRA’s C<sup>3</sup>RS Program. NJT seeks to continue shielding reporting employees from mandatory punitive sanctions that would otherwise arise as provided in §§ 240.117(e)(1)–(4); 240.305(a)(1)–(4) and (a)(6); 240.307; 242.403(b), (c), (e)(1)–(4), (e)(6)–(11), (f)(1)–(2); and 242.407. The C<sup>3</sup>RS Program encourages certified operating crew members to report close calls and protects the employees and the railroad from discipline or sanctions arising from the incidents reported per the C<sup>3</sup>RS Implementing Memorandum of Understanding (IMOU). NJT states that although the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers (BLET)<sup>2</sup> withdrew its participation from NJT’s C<sup>3</sup>RS program on June 3, 2022, BLET now wishes to reestablish its participation in the program. In support of its request, NJT states that it “has invested and will continue to invest substantial resources in coaching and refresher training for its employees.”

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<sup>1</sup> Formerly, NJT received relief in separate docket numbers: FRA–2009–0096 (part 240) and FRA–2012–0056 (part 242). Henceforth, FRA will process NJT’s request for relief from both parts 240 and 242 for the Confidential Close Call Reporting System (C<sup>3</sup>RS) in Docket Number FRA–2009–0096.

<sup>2</sup> Employees represented by BLET, in addition to those represented by SMART United Transportation Union and the American Train Dispatchers Association, were included in the implementing Memorandum of Understanding signed on October 10, 2014.

scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested parties desire an opportunity for oral comment and a public hearing, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Maritime Administration

#### Decommissioning and Disposition of the National Historic Landmark Nuclear Ship Savannah; Notice of Cancellation of July Public Meeting

**AGENCY:** Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Maritime Administration (MARAD) announces that due to scheduling conflicts, the previously planned July 16, 2024, public meeting of the Peer Review Group (PRG) will not take place. The next PRG public meeting will take place on September 17, 2024.