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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mark Forseth, ANM-113, (425) 227-2796, Federal Aviation Administration, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, WA 98057-3356, or Frances Shaver, (202) 267-4059, Office of Rulemaking (ARM-200), Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591.

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Pamela Hamilton-Powell,
Director, Office of Rulemaking.

Petition for Exemption

Docket No.: FAA-2011-0175.
Petitioner: Presidential Airways, Inc.
Section of 14 CFR Affected: § 25.857.
Description of Relief Sought: The petitioner is requesting relief to permit passenger-cargo combination compartment configuration on Presidential Airways CASA Model C-212-CC, C-212-CD, and C-212-DF airplanes.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

Notice of Application for Approval of Discontinuance or Modification of a Railroad Signal System

Pursuant to Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 235 and 49 U.S.C. 20502(a), the following railroad has petitioned the Federal Railroad

Administration (FRA) seeking approval for the discontinuance or modification of the signal, as detailed below.

[Docket Number FRA-2011-0005]

Applicant: CSX Transportation, Inc., Mr. Joseph Ivanyo, Chief Engineer, Communications and Signals, 500 Water Street, Speed Code J-350, Jacksonville, FL 32202.

The CSX Transportation, Inc. (CSXT) seeks approval of the proposed modification of the block signal system on Main Tracks #1 and #2, at R Cabin, milepost (MP) CA-83.10, Peninsula Subdivision, Huntington Division, Richmond, Virginia.

CSXT will retire controlled signals, 80LA, 80LC, and 80R, at Egypt (MP 81.8) and controlled signals 88LA, 88LC, 88LD, at MP 82.3. The power-operated switch at MP 82.3 will be converted to hand-operation and an electric lock will be installed. An electric lock is to be installed on the hand-operated switch at MP 81.5. Main Track #1 method of operation will become Rule 261 signaled in both directions within Yard Limits, between MP 81.00 and MP 83.2, with the discontinuance and removal of automatic signal #821, at Scott St. (MP 82.03), and automatic signal #831 (MP 83.1) near Orleans St. Electric locks will be installed at switch #83 (MP 83) and switch #83.2 (MP 83.2) on Main #1.

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 party desires an opportunity for oral comment, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number (Docket No. FRA-2011-0005) and may be submitted by any of the following methods:

- **Web site:** <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- **Fax:** 202-493-2251.
- **Mail:** Docket Operations Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., W12-140, Washington, DC 20590.
- **Hand Delivery:** 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

Communications received within 45 days of the date of this notice will be considered by FRA before final action is

taken. Comments received after that date will be considered as far as practicable. All written communications concerning these proceedings are available for examination during regular business hours (9 a.m.-5 p.m.) at the above facility. All documents in the public docket are also available for inspection and copying on the Internet at the docket facility's Web site at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Anyone is able to search the electronic form of any written communications and comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (Volume 65, Number 70; Pages 19477-78).

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John G. Leeds, Jr.,

Director, Office of Safety Analysis.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Transit Administration

Major Capital Investment Program—New Starts

AGENCY: Federal Transit Administration (FTA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of discretionary selection of New Starts projects for Funding.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT) Federal Transit Administration (FTA) announces the discretionary selection of projects for funding using unallocated Major Capital Investment (New Starts) program funds. The funds accelerate federal payments for new fixed guideway projects that are currently under construction.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general program information on the New Starts, contact Eric Hu, Office of Program Management, at (202) 366-0870, e-mail: Eric.Hu@dot.gov, for program specific issues, contact the appropriate FTA regional office (See Appendix A).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The New Starts discretionary funds will advance Full Funding Grant Agreements payments and advance the Federal Government's commitments to the selected projects. The funding will give a well-timed boost to communities that have made important investments in their transportation infrastructure.

Furthermore, the advance payments will save financial costs for the local transit project sponsors and free up local funds for other transit projects that will further enhance mobility and livability in their communities. A total of \$207,403,999 is available for FTA's discretionary allocation under the New Starts program. Of the total made available, \$182,404,000 will fund seven transit

projects already under construction; \$24,999,999 restores funding for the Oakland Airport Connector. Projects selected for funding are shown in Table 1, which accompanies this announcement. Project identification numbers are assigned to each project and must be used in the Transportation Electronic Award Management grant application. Pre-award authority is

granted as of December 27, 2010. The funding announced in this notice will be available for obligation until September 30, 2013.

Issued in Washington, DC, this 23rd day of March, 2011.

Peter Rogoff,
Administrator.

Appendix A

FTA REGIONAL AND METROPOLITAN OFFICES

Mary E. Mello, Regional Administrator, Region 1—Boston, Kendall Square, 55 Broadway, Suite 920, Cambridge, MA 02142–1093, Tel. 617–494–2055.

States served: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

Brigid Hynes-Cherin, Regional Administrator, Region 2—New York, One Bowling Green, Room 429, New York, NY 10004–1415, Tel. 212–668–2170.

States served: New Jersey, New York.

New York Metropolitan Office, Region 2—New York, One Bowling Green, Room 428, New York, NY 10004–1415, Tel. 212–668–2202.

Letitia Thompson, Regional Administrator, Region 3—Philadelphia, 1760 Market Street, Suite 500, Philadelphia, PA 19103–4124, Tel. 215–656–7100.

States served: Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia, and District of Columbia. Philadelphia Metropolitan Office, Region 3—Philadelphia, 1760 Market Street, Suite 500, Philadelphia, PA 19103–4124, Tel. 215–656–7070.

Washington, DC Metropolitan Office, 1990 K Street, NW., Room 510, Washington, DC 20006, Tel. 202–219–3562.

Yvette Taylor, Regional Administrator, Region 4—Atlanta, 230 Peachtree Street, NW. Suite 800, Atlanta, GA 30303, Tel. 404–865–5600.

States served: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Virgin Islands.

Marisol Simon, Regional Administrator, Region 5—Chicago, 200 West Adams Street, Suite 320, Chicago, IL 60606, Tel. 312–353–2789.

States served: Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, and Wisconsin.

Chicago Metropolitan Office, Region 5—Chicago, 200 West Adams Street, Suite 320, Chicago, IL 60606, Tel. 312–353–2789.

Robert C. Patrick, Regional Administrator, Region 6—Ft. Worth, 819 Taylor Street, Room 8A36, Ft. Worth, TX 76102, Tel. 817–978–0550.

States served: Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Texas.

Mokhtee Ahmad, Regional Administrator, Region 7—Kansas City, MO, 901 Locust Street, Room 404, Kansas City, MO 64106, Tel. 816–329–3920.

States served: Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, and Nebraska.

Terry Rosapep, Regional Administrator, Region 8—Denver, 12300 West Dakota Ave., Suite 310, Lakewood, CO 80228–2583, Tel. 720–963–3300.

States served: Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, and Wyoming.

Leslie T. Rogers, Regional Administrator, Region 9—San Francisco, 201 Mission Street, Room 1650, San Francisco, CA 94105–1926, Tel. 415–744–3133.

States served: American Samoa, Arizona, California, Guam, Hawaii, Nevada, and the Northern Mariana Islands.

Los Angeles Metropolitan Office, Region 9—Los Angeles, 888 S. Figueroa Street, Suite 1850, Los Angeles, CA 90017–1850, Tel. 213–202–3952.

Rick Krochalis, Regional Administrator, Region 10—Seattle, Jackson Federal Building, 915 Second Avenue, Suite 3142, Seattle, WA 98174–1002, Tel. 206–220–7954.

States served: Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, and Washington.

**Table I
New Starts Discretionary Allocations**

State	Project ID	Existing FFGA/Recipient	Allocation
NY	D2010-NWST-001	New York - East Side Access	\$ 44,341,000
NY	D2010-NWST-002	New York-Second Avenue Subway MOS	\$ 40,667,000
TX	D2010-NWST-003	Dallas-Northwest Southeast LRT MOS	\$ 17,788,000
UT	D2010-NWST-004	Salt Lake City- Mid Jordan LRT	\$ 20,623,000
UT	D2010-NWST-09001	Salt Lake-Weber County to Salt Lake City Commuter Rail	\$ 16,500,000
VA	D2010-NWST-005 (\$11,581,001); D2010-NWST-08001 (\$7,154,000); and D2010-NWST-06001 (\$1,063,999)	Northern Virginia- Wiehle Ave.	\$ 19,799,000
WA	D2010-NWST-98001(\$1,145,505); D2010-NWST-06002 (\$10,011,543); D2010-NWST-07001 (\$11,018,780); and D2010-NWST-05001 (\$510,172)	Seattle-University Link LRT Extension	\$ 22,686,000
Total			\$ 182,404,000
State	Project ID	Other Project	Allocation
CA	D2011-NWST-07001	Oakland Airport Connector	\$ 24,999,999
Grand Total			\$ 207,403,999

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Transit Administration

Over-the-Road Bus Accessibility Program Announcement of Project Selections

AGENCY: Federal Transit Administration (FTA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of award.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Transportation’s (DOT) Federal Transit Administration (FTA) announces the selection of projects to be funded under Fiscal Year (FY) 2009 and 2010 appropriations for the Over-the-Road Bus (OTRB) Accessibility Program, authorized by Section 3038 of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21). The OTRB Accessibility Program makes funds available to private operators of over-the-road buses to help finance the incremental capital and training costs of complying with DOT’s over-the-road bus accessibility rule, published in the **Federal Register** on September 24, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The appropriate FTA Regional Office for grant-specific issues; or Blenda

Younger, Office of Program Management, 202-366-2053, for general information about the OTRB Program.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A total of \$20 million was made available for the program in FY 2009 and FY 2010: \$15 million for intercity fixed-route providers and \$5 million for all other providers, such as commuter, charter, and tour operators. A total of 165 applicants requested \$49.7 million: \$27.5 million was requested by intercity fixed-route providers, and \$22.2 million was requested by all other providers. Project selections were made on a discretionary basis, based on each applicant’s responsiveness to statutory project selection criteria, percent of fleet accessible, and level of funding received in previous years. Because of the high demand for the funds available, most successful applicants received less funding than they requested.

The selected projects will provide funding for the incremental cost of adding lifts to 376 new vehicles, retrofitting 142 vehicles, and \$102,759 for training (See Tables I and II). Each of the awardees, as well as applicants who were not selected for funding, will receive a letter explaining how funding decisions were made. Eligible project costs may be incurred by awardees prior to final grant approval. The incremental capital cost for adding wheelchair lift

equipment to any new vehicles delivered on or after June 9, 1998, the effective date of TEA-21, is eligible for funding under the OTRB Accessibility Program. Awards are processed through FTA’s Transportation Electronic Awards Management System (TEAM), and the project ID’s listed in Table I and Table II must be used in the grant application for tracking the obligation of funds. The grant applications will be sent to the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) for certification under labor protection requirements pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 5333(b). After referring applications to affected employees represented by a labor organization, DOL will issue a certification to FTA. Terms and conditions of the certification will be incorporated in the FTA grant agreement under the new guidelines replacing those in 29 CFR part 215. Please see the Special Warranty Provisions of the Department of Labor Guidelines “Section 5553(b) Federal Transit Law” at 29 CFR 215.7.

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