

WASHINGTON METRORAIL SAFETY COMMISSION

RAIL OPERATIONS CONTROL (ROCC) CENTER SAFETY OBSERVATION REPORT



Location: Carmen Turner Facility (CTF)

Thursday, January 3, 2019

6:30(am) – 2:00(pm)

OBSERVER - KEMMERY KENDRICK, WMSC – TRAIN CONTROL & SIGNALS SUBJECT MATTER EXPERT

- Observation performed during first shift revenue service hours.
- All operators on duty appeared fit-for-duty with no physical signs fatigue.
- Electronic device policies followed by all ROCC staff.
- All procedures addressing normal, special, and emergency operations adhered to by all ROCC personnel in their areas of expertise.
- All staff members demonstrated appropriate and proper radio communications.
- ROCC equipment functioning adequately throughout
- Interacted with different section superintendent's getting a just of responsibilities.
- Interacted with different section operator's getting failure with their functions within the ROCC.
- Discussion with one mainline operator who is a member of the national guard, as well. Concern that his shift overlaps, and or conflicts with Hours of Service on a one weekend per month schedule. He stated that the WMATA staff does try to work with him on this issue but cannot accommodate him every time. I see this as a safety issue with respect to fatigue.
 - **Recommendations:**
 - Operator review WMATAs Military Leave and Fatigue Policies; with respect to violating hours-of-service or fatigue guidelines.
 - WMATA update Military Leave Policy to consider fatigue issues when it comes to military service members. Especially with respect to SAFETY SENSITIVE positions within its organization.
- Shift change approximately 1300 hrs.

SHIFT SUPERVISORS

██████████ ROIC Assistant Superintendent

██████████ Mainline Controller – Assistant Superintendent

██████████ Car Maintenance - Superintendent

██████████ MOC - Superintendent

