

WASHINGTON METRORAIL SAFETY COMMISSION  
RESOLUTION ADOPTING REVISED PROGRAM STANDARD  
(Conforming to FTA Risk-Based Inspection Requirements)

WHEREAS, section 3(b) of the Washington Metrorail Safety Commission (“WMSC”) Compact (P.L. 115-54) requires the WMSC to “[d]evelop and adopt a written state safety oversight program standard”;

WHEREAS, under the WMSC’s Bylaws, the Board reserves for itself the power to amend the program standard;

WHEREAS, Section 2.A.1.b of the WMSC’s Program Standard, effective July 1, 2024, states the procedure for an interim review of the program standard, which is a review that is not part of the annual review and not requiring an immediate change;

WHEREAS, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) issued a Special Directive 22-50 (“Required Actions to Implement a Risk-Based Inspection (RBI) Program”) in October 2022 to all State Safety Oversight Agencies requiring the development of a risk-based inspection program;

WHEREAS, in September 2024, the FTA approved the WMSC’s documentation demonstrating that it developed the RBI program in accordance with the criteria of the Special Directive;

WHEREAS, implementation of the FTA approved RBI program necessitates changes to the WMSC Program Standard;

WHEREAS, the interim revisions to the Program Standard add the approved language to the Program Management and Inspections sections so they conform to the FTA RBI requirements; and

WHEREAS, 49 CFR § 674.27(b) requires the WMSC to submit annually its program standard to the FTA and note any revisions to the program standard.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE WASHINGTON METRORAIL SAFETY COMMISSION:

Adopts the interim program standard and approves its transmittal to the FTA in accordance with 49 CFR § 674.27(b).

Adopted by the Washington Metrorail Safety Commission on October 22, 2024.