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Chairman Joseph Lhota Announces MTA Leadership Appointments

Chairman Joseph Lhota today announced the appointment of Patrick Foye as President and Veronique Hakim as Managing Director of the MTA. Foye and Hakim will serve in the newly-created Office of the Chairman, which will also include MTA Chief Development Officer Janno Lieber. Foye and Hakim will be responsible for managing the agency on a day-to-day basis. Foye will lead key innovation and modernization initiatives, and Hakim will be responsible for the operations of the authority. Chairman Lhota recently announced a comprehensive plan to immediately stabilize and modernize the subway system. Foye and Hakim will be responsible for implementing the plan.

"Pat and Ronnie are veteran transportation professionals who together with Janno form the dynamic team the MTA needs at this moment. Pat and Ronnie will assume the day-to-day leadership of the MTA and ensure that our customers are always our first priority. The plan I recently introduced is ambitious, aggressive, and requires dedicated leadership ensuring operational excellence and long-term innovation - which is exactly what the team in the Office of the Chairman will provide," said Lhota.

Patrick Foye has been the Executive Director of The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey and President of PATH since November 2011. At the Port Authority, to advance Governor Andrew M. Cuomo's infrastructure plan, Mr. Foye led public-private partnerships for the Goethals Bridge and the nation's largest PPP for Terminal B at LaGuardia Airport. Prior to joining the Port Authority, he served as Deputy Secretary for Economic Development for Governor Cuomo. Mr. Foye was a Mergers and Acquisitions partner at Skadden Arps and managing partner of the firm's Brussels, Budapest and Moscow offices. He was Executive Vice President of AIMCO, a real estate investment trust and a component of the S&P 500. Mr. Foye served as President and CEO of the United Way of Long Island. He also served as a Board member of the MTA from 2010 to 2012. Mr. Foye grew up in New York City and lives in Nassau County.

Veronique Hakim has served as Interim Executive Director of the MTA since January 2017. In 2015 Hakim was named President of MTA New York City Transit returning to the MTA after an earlier 23-year career at the authority. She has also previously served as the Executive Director of NJ TRANSIT for a year and a half, and nearly four years as Executive Director of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority.