

Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
Joint Long Island Rail Road and Metro-North Railroad Committees  
Monday, April 29, 2024

Meeting held at  
2 Broadway – 20<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, New York 10004  
9:30 a.m.

The following Committee Members were present in person:

Hon. Samuel Chu, Co-Chair  
Hon. Blanca López, Co-Chair  
Hon. Gerard Bringmann  
Hon. Norman Brown  
Hon. Daniel Garodnick  
Hon. Randolph Glucksman  
Hon. Marc Herbst  
Hon. Neal Zuckerman

The following Committee Members attended via video:

Hon. Midori Valdivia

The following Committee Members were not present:

Hon. Michael Fleischer  
Hon. David Mack  
Hon. Vincent Tessitore, Jr.

**Representing Metro-North Railroad:**

Catherine Rinaldi – President  
Justin Vonashek – Executive Vice President & Chief Operating Officer  
Susan Sarch – Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary  
Shelley Prettyman – Vice President, System Safety  
Michael Loney – Vice President, Maintenance of Way  
Bennett Cornelius – Director of Operations Planning, Operations Planning and Analysis  
Yvonne Hill-Donald – Chief Administrative Officer

**Representing Long Island Rail Road:**

Robert Free – President  
Thomas Kost – Acting Senior Vice President, Operations  
Lori Ebbighausen – Vice President, Corporate Safety  
Paul Dietlin – Vice President, Maintenance of Way  
Haley Stein – Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary  
Yannis Takos – General Manager of Market Development, Public Affairs

**Representing MTA Police Department:**

John J. Mueller – Chief of Police

**Representing MTA Construction and Development:**

Anthony Tufano – Senior Vice President, Railroads Business Unit

**Representing MTA Safety and Security Department:**

Carl Hamann – Acting Chief Safety Officer

The members of the Metro-North Railroad (“Metro-North”) Committee met jointly with the members of the Long Island Rail Road (“LIRR”) Committee.

**1. OPENING MEETING:**

Co-Chair López called the joint meeting to order.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

The following public speakers commented:

Murray Bodin, Concerned Grandparents (in person) requested an in-person meeting with the LIRR team to discuss the safety of railroad grade crossings.

Christopher D. Greif (in person) congratulated Rob Free as new President of the LIRR and requested walkie-talkie radios for the Metro-North Care program for safety.

Matthew Buchys-Hyland (via video) urged the railroads to consider a reduced fare for autistic individuals over twelve years old.

Jason Anthony, LIRR ADA Task Force (in person) thanked railroad leadership for their great work and requested additional police presence for upcoming protests at Penn Station.

Joseph Morales (in person) recommended working with New Jersey Transit to improve service on West of Hudson lines, urged MTA to work on wayfinding for all large transit hubs, and commended the display of art in stations such as Poughkeepsie.

Charlton D’Souza, Passengers United President (via video) proposed various universal discounted monthly and weekly fare options for commuters rather than a ten percent discount for monthly tickets for Queens and Brooklyn riders only.

Iris Kelley (in person) urged LIRR to fix the transfers at Jamaica to and from Brooklyn that are on Tracks 11 and 12.

Jack Connors, PCAC Research and Communications Associate (in person) stated that PCAC will continue to work with MTA and elected officials to bring discounted fares to riders and close the gap for discounted fares for seniors and disabled during the morning peak hours.

Andy Pollack, Passengers United (via audio) noted that elevators and escalators are not working at Jamaica and complained that the proposed ten percent discount for monthly railroad tickets is not enough.

Dave Merandy, Protect the Highlands, and former mayor of Cold Spring, New York (in person) urged the MTA to deny the proposed use of MTA property for the proposed Fjord Trail.

Aleta Dupree, Team Folds (in person) recounted traveling on the MTA system and stated that we need to get more people on the trains on both railroads.

Jesse Figueroa (in person) stated accessibility and safety is the highest priority.

Michael Cohen (in person) questioned why CityTicket is not valid during the week and why OMNY has not been implemented by the railroads yet.

Andy Quito (via audio) complained about broken elevators, escalators, and homeless at Jamaica Station, stated that the proposed ten percent discount should be a \$145 monthly ticket instead.

Jack Nierenberg, Passengers United Vice President (in person) urged both railroads to have a weekly and monthly CityTicket with a free subway and bus transfer included that is similar to the former Atlantic Ticket.

Adam Wittenstein (via video) stated that MTA feedback mechanisms do not work because he receives template responses, and complained that the service on the Port Washington branch is poor during peak times in AM and PM.

The video recording of the meeting produced by the MTA and maintained in the MTA records contains a complete record of the public comments.

### **3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Committee approved the minutes of the March 25, 2024 Joint LIRR and Metro-North Committee meeting.

### **4. METRO-NORTH AND LIRR 2024 WORK PLANS:**

There were no changes to the LIRR or Metro-North Work Plans. The 2024 Metro-North and LIRR Work Plans are filed with the records of this meeting.

### **5. METRO-NORTH PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

Metro-North President Catherine Rinaldi ("President Rinaldi") congratulated Rob Free on his permanent appointment as President of the Long Island Rail Road.

Ridership continues to be strong for Metro-North. On April 9th, Metro-North set a post-Covid record of 228,390 riders. For the first time, Metro-North and LIRR, upstairs at Grand Central Terminal and downstairs in Grand Central Madison, combined to serve over a quarter million customers in a single day. In March 2024, Metro-North served 5.3 million customers, a ridership increase of 9.3% from last March and representing 75% of March 2019's ridership. Baseball season has resumed, and overall ridership figures are being boosted by Yankees home games, as thousands of fans know that Metro-North is the best way to the game.

President Rinaldi noted that both railroads have a Work Plan item this month for the results of 2023 ridership with presentations later during this meeting.

President Rinaldi stated that another boost to discretionary ridership is travel to the world-class dining destinations in their territory, and Metro-North is proud to continue its partnership with Hudson Valley Restaurant Week. So many restaurants in the region are easy walking distance from Metro-North stations. From April 8 through 21, diners were able to order from special Restaurant Week menus that highlighted all the Hudson Valley has to offer. Hudson Valley Restaurant Week kicked off with a press event at Goosefeather Restaurant in Tarrytown, where President Rinaldi joined Westchester County Executive George Latimer and other restaurant enthusiasts in reaffirming Hudson Valley's reputation as a culinary destination.

President Rinaldi stated that on April 23, Metro-North hosted the first “Connect With Us” session of 2024, which was held at Fordham Station. Fordham is one of Metro-North’s busiest reverse commute stations, with northbound ridership at 100% of pre-COVID levels. Metro-North engaged with riders including those seeking job opportunities with the railroad.

President Rinaldi stated that last week's celebration of Earth Day provided a significant opportunity to reiterate Metro-North’s dedication to environmental stewardship. In pursuit of this objective, MTA has embarked on initiatives such as implementing a new Climate Resilience Roadmap. This comprehensive strategy will necessitate a \$6 billion investment over the next decade to fortify Metro-North’s infrastructure against the challenges posed by climate change. President Rinaldi was happy to join Chairman Lieber, MTA Construction & Development President Jamie Torres-Springer, and local officials at an event at Metro-North’s Mott Haven facility in the Bronx last week highlighting the vulnerability of that location and the importance of future investments to fortify our system. President Rinaldi noted that Metro-North recently received \$20 million from the State budget for an initial investment in Hudson Line resiliency.

President Rinaldi stated that Metro-North is not waiting to take action to improve the ability of the system to withstand the effects of climate change. President Rinaldi highlighted Metro-North’s proactive approach with the elevation of the Harlem Line signal box at MP 25.7 located at the grade crossing at Cleveland Street and Lakeview Avenue. This elevation project addresses recurring flooding issues, which have become more frequent and severe. By elevating the box with additional standard 4-foot signal foundations and repurposing available materials, such as reclaimed concrete ties and recycled ballast, Metro-North minimizes waste and maximizes sustainability while protecting this important asset. This commitment underscores Metro-North’s dedication to fostering a more resilient transportation network.

President Rinaldi reported that MTA Construction & Development is currently in the midst of a large-scale replacement project for the Park Avenue Viaduct. The structure dates back to the late 1800s and carries approximately 750 trains and thousands of customers to and from Grand Central Terminal every weekday. Phase 1 of the construction spans from 115th to 123rd Streets on Park Avenue. Substantial progress has already been achieved, including replacing 2,200 feet of steel third rail with new aluminum third rail, and relocating signal power feeder and communication cables. One of two gantry systems, which are specialized overhead structures

utilized for lifting and positioning heavy materials during construction, has been erected. The first weekend bridge replacement outage will commence in the coming weeks. Metro-North has developed a special schedule in conjunction with their colleagues at MTA Construction & Development to support this critical state of good repair project.

President Rinaldi stated that this month is Autism Acceptance Month. On April 2, Pershing Square was lit in blue, which embodies the railroad's steadfast dedication to fostering inclusion and understanding.

President Rinaldi stated that on April 26, she joined the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets Commissioner Richard Ball at Grand Central Terminal to celebrate the reopening of the Taste NY store. The store features food and beverages produced or processed in New York State. The store provides a great amenity to railroad customers from both railroads. President Rinaldi stated that they are pleased to see the increased activity as discretionary ridership continues to grow.

On April 20, Metro-North held a recruitment Open House at Croton-Harmon to highlight opportunities for skilled craft jobs at the railroad. The event was a resounding success. They had anticipated that approximately 300 people would attend, but they actually welcomed 585 potential job applicants to this event. President Rinaldi thanked the talent acquisition team from the People Department as well as the Metro-North departmental teams that worked so hard to make this event a success.

President Rinaldi reported on the great news that John Klosowski of the Maintenance of Way department was recognized by the publication Progressive Railroading as an industry rising star. He is one of only 25 railroad employees across the nation to receive this prestigious recognition. He's been a rising star at the railroad since he began as a track worker in the M of W department. For a time, he worked as a Field Safety Manager in the Safety Department before assuming his current position as Assistant Deputy Director Maintenance of Way Compliance. His leadership in establishing a new roadway worker protection audit group has led to a remarkable 38% reduction in operational incidents since its inception in 2021. John is well known around the railroad for his spirit of collaboration and subject matter expertise. President Rinaldi is proud that Progressive Railroading has recognized John's contributions to the safety and reliability of the railroad.

The complete presentation is filed with the records of this meeting. The video recording of the meeting produced by the MTA and maintained in the MTA records contains a complete record of President Rinaldi's remarks.

## **6. LIRR PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

LIRR President Rob Free ("President Free") thanked the MTA Chair for appointing him as LIRR President on a permanent basis. President Free thanked everyone for their support and

especially President Rinaldi for making the transition so smooth. The railroads will continue to work collaboratively to provide world class rail service.

President Free reported that March on-time performance achieved 95.95%, which is the third best March on record and a 17% increase over March of last year and 18% increase YTD as compared to last year. March non-commutation ridership once again surpassed the same month in 2019 by 13.9%, which marks seven months in a row that ridership surpassed 2019 non-commutation ridership. On April 9, LIRR achieved the second highest post-COVID weekday ridership with 251,964 customers.

President Free stated that LIRR customers continue to take advantage of Grand Central Madison service as they are regularly seeing a 60/40 split between Penn Station and Grand Central Madison. In March, Grand Central Madison ridership reached over 1.56 million customers based on load weight data, which was the highest monthly ridership since the terminal opened. AM Peak ridership hit another record at Grand Central Madison with 25,800 on March 19.

President Free stated that summer travel season is quickly approaching which means that summer timetables will be introduced in advance of Memorial Day Weekend. The May 20 timetable change will feature the usual extra service to the East End, but this year, the LIRR is extending the 5:13 PM train from Penn Station to Montauk on summer Thursdays, in addition to what normally takes place on summer Fridays. The move comes as the result of the ridership analysis showing a trend of more people leaving for the East End earlier in the week than they have in the past. This month, LIRR added a new Port Washington Branch train to the daily schedule on April 15. This new train from Great Neck to Grand Central is meant to help alleviate crowding on the existing Penn Station train departing Port Washington. Both trains will depart at 7:53 AM. As always, they will be watching and analyzing the results on these and all other trains, adjusting when necessary and feasible.

President Free stated that LIRR recently completed seven planned grade crossing rehabilitations between Ronkonkoma and Greenport, and four others between the Montauk and Port Jefferson Branches. President Free highlighted work east of Ronkonkoma to show LIRR's commitment to run an efficient railroad. While the original plan was to complete six crossing, they completed seven crossings. They worked weekdays instead of only weekends, which enabled them to restore train service three weeks earlier than planned and lessen impact to service. President Free congratulated and thanked the engineering team. LIRR is also in the middle of a four-weekend project to waterproof and repair eleven leaky joints along the Valley Stream viaduct, coinciding with many other activities taking place at Valley Stream. President Free stated that customers will notice the positive change once the work is complete.

President Free reported that on April 21, the Corporate Safety department hosted "Operation East Bound and Down", an emergency preparedness drill in coordination with Stony Brook South Hampton Hospital, East End emergency response organizations, and the Town of East Hampton. President Free thanked the safety team and all who participated in this successful drill.

President Free wished a happy birthday to the LIRR. On April 24, 1834, the Long Island Rail Road was chartered, making it the oldest railroad in the country operating under its original name. LIRR had its birthday celebration at Grand Central Madison on April 24, attended by customers, labor leaders, former employees, and members of the Board Marc Herbst, Andrew Albert, and Randy Glucksman, along with President Rinaldi. Two preeminent LIRR historians spoke at the event, Steve Quigley and former LIRR employee David Morrison. Historical photos were displayed and a special anniversary historical artifacts showcase of the LIRR debuted. An incredible 190th Anniversary video was premiered and President Free encouraged all to go to Grand Central Madison to see these displays. President Free thanked the LIRR 190th Anniversary Committee for making this possible led by General Manager of Marketing Development Yannis Takos.

President Free stated that Grand Central Madison has been quite busy lately, not just in terms of ridership. April is World Autism Month and to help bring attention to this very worthy cause, Grand Central Madison will be lit up in blue all month long. On April 2, MTA Chairman & CEO Janno Lieber held an event announcing that the MTA released a Request for Proposals (RFP) seeking a developer to bring retail and dining to Grand Central Madison. And on April 10, MTA Arts and Design held an event celebrating the April 24 release of its new book, entitled Contemporary Art Underground, written by Arts and Design's own Sandra Bloodworth and Cheryl Hageman. These events allowed us to showcase the magnificent Grand Central Madison.

President Free reported that on April 13, Communications Specialist Chrisann Fabio was recognized by Nassau County and the Trainville Hobby Depot for her work in the community and the LIRR TRACKS program. President Free congratulated Grand Central Madison Usher Pete Sciaulino and Training Specialist Sharda Kalladeen for being named MTA Heroes of the Week by ABC7.

Co-chair Chu congratulated President Free and noted that the 60/40 split between Penn Station and Grand Central Madison was part of the original ridership projections. President Free stated that the ridership data show that customers are choosing to go to Grand Central Madison because Penn Station ridership is mostly flat, while ridership to Grand Central Madison has increased.

The complete presentation and operating report are filed with the records of this meeting. The video recording of the meeting produced by the MTA and maintained in the MTA records contains a complete record of President Free's remarks.

## **7. OPERATING REPORTS:**

Metro-North Executive Vice President of Operations Justin Vonashek ("Executive Vice President Vonashek") stated that Metro-North's Operating Report begins on page 12 of the Key Performance Metrics report. Executive Vice President Vonashek reported that Metro-North's service delivery rate remains at 99.9% in March for a second month in a row. Systemwide on-time performance ("OTP") for March was 98.9%, which is above the goal of 94%. OTP for the first quarter of 2024 was the highest in recorded history at 98.8%. The mean-distance-between-failure

(“MDBF”) was over 637,000 miles in February 2024, which is above the goal of 200,000 miles. Year-to-date (“YTD”) MDBF is above goal at 373,000.

Executive Vice President Vonashek reported that Yankees’ Opening Day took place on Friday, April 5. Metro-North is providing a variety of extra services, including the popular “Yankee Clipper” Trains to the Game, which provide a one-seat ride to and from the stadium for the Hudson, Harlem and New Haven Lines for weekday evening games and for all games on weekends. Metro-North is also operating shuttle trains and facilitating transfers at key junctions such as Grand Central Terminal and Harlem/125th St for all games. Metro-North also adds several extra Hudson Line trains at Yankees/E153rd St before and after games to provide even more travel options for fans.

Board Member Brown complimented Metro-North for their high performance and stated that more service will be the key driver for more customers.

Board Member Glucksman congratulated Metro-North for their performance.

LIRR Acting Senior Vice President of Operations Tom Kost (“Senior Vice President Kost”) reported that LIRR’s OTP for March was 95.9 %, above the goal of 94%. YTD as of March is 95.8%, also above the goal of 94%. Nine out of twelve branches operated at or above goal. Year to date, ten branches operated at or above goal. There were nine incidents which resulted in ten or more late trains in the month of March. The most significant event occurred on March 6, with switch trouble at Harold Interlocking causing 25 late trains, which reduced monthly OTP by 0.09 percent.

Senior Vice President Kost reported that for fleet performance, the MDBF for the month of February was 172,398 miles, which is above the goal of 150,000 miles. YTD MDBF as of February is 151,903, above the goal of 150,000 miles.

Senior Vice President Kost stated that for service delivery, LIRR completed 99.8% of its trips for the month of March and YTD was 99.5%. For upcoming work that will impact service, ADA work will take place at St. Albans Station on the weekends of May 4-5 and May 18-19. Buses will replace trains at St. Albans for approximately 48 hours along with schedule adjustments on the Babylon, Long Beach, Far Rockaway, and West Hempstead branches. Senior Vice President Kost reminded everyone to check the website and TrainTime app for updated schedules.

The complete LIRR and Metro-North operating reports are filed with the records of this meeting. The video recording of the meeting produced by the MTA and maintained in the MTA records contains a complete record of the presentation.

## **8. SAFETY REPORT:**

Metro-North Vice President of System Safety Shelley Prettyman (“Vice President Prettyman”) stated that Metro-North’s safety report is found on page 16 of the Key Performance



Metrics book. The customer employee injury rate for the 12-month reporting period ending February 2024, compared to the prior twelve months ending February 2023, decreased from 2.23 to 2.00 per one million customers. The reportable employee lost time injury rate decreased from 2.23 to 1.80 per 200,000 hours worked compared to the prior twelve months.

Vice President Prettyman highlighted that Metro-North's Together Railroads and Communities Keeping Safe (T.R.A.C.K.S.) program reached over 7,000 individuals in the first quarter of 2024. Activities included educational presentations at schools, and community events and outreach at stations and grade crossings along all lines.

LIRR Vice President of Corporate Safety Lori Ebbighausen ("Vice President Ebbighausen") said that LIRR's safety report begins on page 30 of the Key Performance Metrics book. The reportable customer injury rate increased to 2.38 per one million customers in the current 12-month reporting period ending in February 2024, compared to the prior 12 months. The reportable employee lost time injury rate is 4.38 per 200,000 working hours, compared to the prior 12 months.

Vice President Ebbighausen thanked the MTAPD and Chief Mueller in connection with recent drills. In addition, the TRACKS program would not be possible without the two dedicated officers from the MTAPD. Vice President Ebbighausen also noted that four officers have been assigned to the Right of Way Task Force. On April 10, both railroads had their quarterly meeting with the Federal Railroad Administration, Safety Management Team, Region 1 and hosted Karl Alexy, FRA Associate Administrator for Railroad Safety & Chief Safety Officer who toured the incident command center and viewed the Jamaica Central Control Operating Theatre.

The full LIRR and Metro-North safety reports are filed with the records of this meeting. The video recording of the meeting produced by the MTA and maintained in the MTA records contains a complete record of the presentations.

## **9. MTAPD REPORT:**

MTAPD Chief of Police John Mueller ("Chief Mueller") reported that for the month of March, there were thirty-one major felonies across both railroads. In the major crime categories, there was one grand larceny auto, one burglary, four robberies, eight grand larcenies and seventeen felony assaults. Of the felony assaults, eight were committed against police officers and four against other MTA employees. Chief Mueller stated that the police are continuing to increase enforcement of fare evasion.

The full MTAPD report is filed with the records of this meeting. The video recording of the meeting produced by the MTA and maintained in the MTA records contains a complete record of Chief Mueller's presentation.

## **10. INFORMATION ITEMS:**

President Rinaldi noted the following Metro-North information items: (i) 2023 Annual Ridership Report; and (ii) Diversity/EEO Report - 4th Quarter 2023.

President Free noted the following LIRR information items: (i) 2023 Annual Ridership Report; (ii) May Timetable Change & Trackwork Programs; and (iii) Diversity/EEO Report - 4th Quarter 2023.

The details of the information items are contained in reports filed with the records of this meeting.

## **11. METRO-NORTH 2023 ANNUAL RIDERSHIP REPORT:**

Director of Operations Planning Bennett Cornelius (“Director of Operations Planning Cornelius”) presented the 2023 Annual Ridership Report for Metro-North.

Director of Operations Planning Cornelius reported that Metro-North’s 2023 ridership was 23.4% higher than in 2022, which equates to 13.3 million more riders than in 2022, reaching nearly 70% of pre-COVID ridership levels. 2023 commutation ridership is 24% higher than 2022 and non-commutation ridership is 23% higher. In the last quarter of 2023, the non-commutation ridership was higher than pre-COVID, as more riders are buying non-commutation fares such as 10-trip tickets.

Metro-North’s service levels in 2023 were increased incrementally and surgically to anticipate and meet returning and rising demand. This was the first full year of New Haven Line’s Super Express Trains between Grand Central and New Haven. This was also the first year of increased service on the Waterbury Branch, as a result of Metro-North, in partnership with Connecticut DOT, making significant infrastructure improvements on that line. Leaf Peeper trains were restored on the Hudson Lines.

Director of Operations Planning Cornelius stated that Metro-North’s safety, frequency, and reliability, with 97.5% on-time performance in 2023, will continue to drive further growth in 2024.

The video recording of the meeting produced by the MTA and maintained in the MTA records contains a complete record of Director of Operations Planning Cornelius’s presentation.

## **12. LIRR 2023 ANNUAL RIDERSHIP REPORT:**

General Manager of Market Development Yannis Takos (“General Manager Takos”) presented the 2023 Annual Ridership Report for LIRR.

General Manager Takos reported that LIRR’s 2023 ridership increased, continuing the upward trend after the pandemic. Total ridership was over 65 million customers, an increase of 24% above 2022. When compared to 2019, ridership represented almost 72% of pre-pandemic

ridership. Commutation ridership reached 26 million customers, a 22% increase over 2022, although it remains at 51% of pre-pandemic commutation ridership. Non-commutation ridership garnered significant gains, increasing almost 26% over 2022 ridership with 40 million customers, nearly matching 2019 ridership. In the last four months of 2023, non-commutation ridership exceeded the ridership of 2019.

With the opening of Grand Central Madison and LIRR's 41% increase in service, ridership increased on all service segments with an additional 275 trains. On-time performance has increased steadily, reaching 96.3% this February. Schedules were continually adjusted to match the changing ridership patterns.

The future ridership outlook appears strong as LIRR's customer satisfaction and on-time performance improve. Ridership will grow as the return to office rate increases and fare offerings continue.

President Free commented that he wanted to thank the LIRR ADA Task Force for their support at the 190th Anniversary celebration.

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### **13. FINANCE:**

The finance reports for both railroads are contained in the meeting material.

### **14. LIRR PROCUREMENT:**

MTA Acting Assistant Deputy Chief Procurement Officer Jacqueline Waddell reported on one procurement item for an estimated expenditure of \$41.3 million.

- 1) LIRR on behalf of itself and Metro-North seeks Board approval for a public works contract to Sperry Rail, Inc. for Rail Flaw Testing and Joint Bar Inspection services. The contract has a term of 5 years. The work under the contract will provide the railroads with FRA mandated inspection utilizing the latest technologies in ultrasonic testing, joint bar detection, and eddy current testing to identify and detect internal and external flaws and fractures in track and rail that may not be visible to the naked eye. Sperry submitted its initial proposal in the amount of \$43,813,976. Through negotiations, LIRR was able to secure a cost avoidance of approximately \$2.5 million from its initial offer. The contract price is approximately \$41.3 million for both railroads for the full five-year term.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Committee recommended approval of the procurement item.

The details of this procurement item are contained in reports filed with the records of this meeting.

**15. ADJOURNMENT:**

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Committee unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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Susan Sarch  
Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary  
Metro-North Commuter Railroad Company

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Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary  
The Long Island Rail Road Company