

SECTION 305/209 – NGENC – 514

Subcommittee

MINUTES MARCH 13, 2017 4:00 PM EASTERN CONFERENCE CALL

FACILITATOR	<i>Brian Beeler II, NNEPRA</i>
ATTENDEES	<i>AASHTO: Bryan Hong; Amtrak: Darrell Smith, Mario Bergeron, Max Johnson; FRA: Beth Nachreiner, Ashok Sundararajan; MDOT: Al Johnson; NYSDOT: Ray Hessinger, John Bell; NNEPRA: Brian Beeler II; ODOT: Mike Jenkins; WSDOT: Brent Thompson; WisDOT: Arun Rao</i>
ABSENTEES	<i>CDOT: Marci Petterson; Caltrans: John Pagano; CCJPA: Dean Shepherd; NCDOT: Allan Paul; TXDOT: Gil Wilson</i>

DISCUSSION/DECISIONS

1. Welcome and Open Meeting – Brian Beeler, II:

Brian Beeler, II began the meeting at 4:00 PM.

2. Roll Call – Bryan Hong:

Bryan Hong called the roll.

3. Approval of Old Minutes – All:

Brent Thompson motioned for the approval of the minutes from February, with a second from John Bell. The minutes were approved without modification.

4. SAIPRC and NGENC Meetings Update – Brian Beeler, II:

Brian provided an update on the State-Amtrak Intercity Passenger Rail Committee and Next Generation Corridor Equipment Pool Committee meetings in Washington, D.C. Those reports included where the Subcommittee is in its work developing the CIP and where it is going to improve the process. He asked SAIPRC what it needs that the Subcommittee can help provide. SAIPRC also has funding available to support its work plan. If there is a need associated with any of the Subcommittee's work, Beth recommended the Subcommittee inform the SAIPRC's Executive Committee (through either Patricia Quinn or Bryan Hong) with summary details and a timeline as soon as possible.

Brian emphasized the goal is to make the CIP document useful to everyone and worth the investment and effort. An overview document covering the CIP was mentioned as a project moving forward, including how to identify those costs and challenges. The Subcommittee is still waiting on definitions from SAIPRC on how it would like the Subcommittee to move forward regarding SOGR and other issues. Amtrak agreed these items were reasonable.

The NGENC update was similar in content.

5. 514 Subcommittee Leadership Needs – Brian Beeler, II:

Mario Bergeron reported that Tim Ziethen will be the Amtrak representative on the Subcommittee. He will join Brian Beeler, II and Jon Dees as a co-vice chair.

6. Discuss CIP Update – All:

Darrell Smith reported that Amtrak is finishing up completed everything for units used for FY18 and is working on FY19. By the end of next week the table updates should be finished and he will send the draft to Bryan Hong for distribution to the Subcommittee. The group agreed to hold a CIP-focused meeting in two weeks on March 27, 2017 after members have a chance to review the draft. A topic for the April 10, 2017 meeting would be discussion over comments from the States about what to include in the update, as none was given to Amtrak aside from FRA input. New York State reiterated that the CIP with its updated tables is sufficient for its purposes. The balance between audiences (Congress/stakeholders versus practitioners) is important when determining what edits to make to the document. The Subcommittee agreed that April 10 will be the deadline for deciding what changes to focus on in the CIP.

7. Other Issues – All:

- John Bell noted the interest the States had in expanding bicycle service and asked if the Subcommittee thought it was worth incorporating in the CIP. Amtrak thought to consider it as a new program or fold

into the cars, either part of the existing scope or a new addition. Darrell agreed it should be included in some fashion.

- States indicated that they have received FY16 Capital Overhaul Billing information from Amtrak.
- Regarding SOGR, Max Johnson reported that Amtrak is still in the same position, which is that it still has not made a determination on the anticipated credit due to the States. There is still no deadline on a resolution due to Amtrak's reorganization.

8. Adjourn – Brian Beeler, II:

With no further business to come before the subcommittee today, Brian Beeler II adjourned the call at 4:59 PM Eastern.

Next 514 conference call March 27, 2017 – 4:00PM Eastern

Decisions and Action Items

1. Tim Ziethen will be the Amtrak representative on the 514 Subcommittee, joining Jon Dees as a co-vice chair.
2. Darrell Smith will send the CIP draft to AASHTO by 3/24 to AASHTO for distribution to the Subcommittee.
3. The Subcommittee will meet on 3/27 at 4pm Eastern
4. The deadline for the Subcommittee to figure out what adjustments it will focus on in the CIP will be 4/10.
5. A future iteration of the CIP will include expanding bicycle service.
6. Amtrak will continue to work on determining the SOGR credit.

Attachments [0]

Next Generation
Equipment Committee



The NGEC will provide national leadership in standardization, acquisition, financing and management of passenger rail equipment.

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4:00pm, Eastern**

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| 1. Welcome/Open | Brian Beeler II |
| 2. Roll Call | Bryan Hong |
| 3. Approval of Old Minutes (January 9) | All |
| 4. Review of 514 Charge Statement | Brian Beeler II |
| 5. 514 Leadership Needs | Brian Beeler II |

- 6. Discuss CIP Update All
 - a. Amtrak Proposal on Maintaining the CIP's Responsiveness for State Stakeholders
 - b. State Thoughts on Interacting with the CIP and What Works Now

- 7. Other Issues All

- 8. Adjourn Brian Beeler II

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