



October 14, 2011

U.S. Department of Transportation
Docket Operations
West Building, Room W12-140
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

RE: Docket No. FTA-2009-0030

Dear Docket Clerk:

On behalf of the more than 1,500 member organizations of the American Public Transportation Association (APTA), I write to request extension of the comment period for the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) on Capital Project Management, published September 13, 2011 at 76 FR 56363.

About APTA

APTA is a non-profit international trade association of more than 1,500 public and private member organizations, including public transit systems; high-speed intercity passenger rail agencies; planning, design, construction and finance firms; product and service providers; academic institutions; and state associations and departments of transportation. More than ninety percent of Americans who use public transportation are served by APTA member transit systems.

The proposed revision of FTA's Project Management Oversight (PMO) program is both complex and far reaching. It has budget and schedule implications affecting billions of dollars in projects. Because of this, APTA believes there should be additional outreach and education efforts by FTA and adequate time for project sponsors to apply the information received during that outreach and education process to their own situations to provide constructive comments. In order to provide time for this effort, APTA requests an additional 45 day extension to the exiting comment period.

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Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William Millar". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent initial "W" and a long, sweeping tail.

William Millar
President

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