



SSOA Certification

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RAIL NETWORK





Rail Network Facts

- Operate Heavy and Light Rail
- 37 double track miles
- 2.8 double track miles of joint use track
 - Heavy Rail and Light Rail
- 40 active HRVs, 34 active LRVs
 - 1983 – 1985 Vintage
- Track footprints as far back as 1914



Track Upgrade Program





Quarterly Meetings



SSOA and RTA Senior Leadership meet quarterly to review projects, opportunities and Outstanding Corrective Actions.



SSO Rail Training

August 2016

January 2017



Class & Field Instruction

GCRTA and Mid-Atlantic
transit properties





Training Opportunities



SSO continuously made aware of training opportunities, exercises, etc. for system awareness



Joint Effort to Certification

- “*No surprises*” – joint goal, open communication
- Hazards sufficiently reported
- CAPs tracked and verified
- Understand what events need to be reported
- Adherence to a Program Standard



Top 3 Challenges

- Information sharing
 - Friend or Foe
- Enhanced authority of SSO to investigate
- Minimum safety standards...
 - Rail Operations Rule Book
 - Configuration Management Manual
 - Right-of-Way Worker Protection Plan



Lessons Learned

- Safety Culture message must be consistent at all levels
- Understanding of emerging risk
- Accelerated Corrective Action Plan (CAP) closure – approx. 25% faster



Questions?

