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## COMMUTER RAIL COMMITTEE

October 9, 2022 – 3:30pm to 5:00 pm Pacific

Sheraton Grand Seattle, Grand Ballroom A

Chair, James Derwinski; Executive Director, Metra

### AGENDA

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| 3:30pm | <b>Welcome and Call to Order</b>  | <i>Jim Derwinski (Metra)</i>                                  |
| 3:35pm | <b>Commuter Rail CEO Workshop – Key Takeaways</b>   | <i>Jim Derwinski (Metra)</i>                                  |
|        | • Working Group Updates   | <i>Janice R. Thomas (Metra)</i><br><i>Marie Benton (APTA)</i> |
| 3:45pm | <b>Comments from FTA</b>  | <i>Nuria Fernandez, FTA Administrator</i>                     |
| 3:50pm | <b>Agency Report Outs</b>   | <i>Agencies in Attendance</i>                                 |
|        | • Hot Topics / Pain Points  |   |
| 4:05pm | <b>Business Member Report Out</b>   | <i>Business Members in Attendance</i>                         |
| 4:20pm | <b>Industry Updates</b>   | <i>Marie Benton (APTA)</i>                                    |
|        | - Commuter Rail Ridership (handout)   |   |
|        | - National Transportation Safety Board Recommendation to APTA on Dynamic Weather Alert Criteria in Railroad Operations (briefing & handout) |   |
| 4:25pm | <b>Global Ridership Trends</b>  | <i>Michael Cornfield (Deutsche Bahn)</i>                      |
| 4:50pm | <b>Committee Report Outs</b>  |   |
|        | - Safety and Security Subcommittee  | <i>Gardner Tabon (Capital Metro)</i>                          |
|        | - Chief Operating Officers Subcommittee   | <i>TBD</i>  |
|        | - FRA Rail Safety Advisory Committee Report   | <i>Brian Alberts (APTA)</i>                                   |
| 5:00pm | <b>Adjourn</b>  |   |

#### MISSION STATEMENT

This committee promotes commuter railroads and works to address their unique regulatory, legislative, and operational issues. The Commuter Rail Committee, is working on a very active agenda including:

- Enhancing the ability of passenger railroads to access freight railroad rights of way;
- Establishing Passenger Rail Standards and Recommended Practices; and
- Strengthening the Commuter Rail System Safety Program.