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John Quarterman wwalswatershed@gmail.com

Re: FRA File No: FFRA-24-00136

Dear John Quarterman:

This letter is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) for copies of any letters, memorandums, or notes from the September 3, 2014, meeting between the Federal Railroad Administration and Florida East Coast Railway, along with a copy of FEC's "most recent letter" referred to in a March 3, 2016, letter from Karl Alexy, Staff Director, Hazardous Materials Division, Federal Railroad Administration, to James R. Heftwig, President and CEO, Florida East Coast Railway.

After conducting a thorough search, we have determined that the agency's files do not contain any records responsive to your request. In making this determination, we have searched the FRA Office of Railroad Safety. No records matching the information you provided were identified.

Pursuant to the provisions of 49 C.F.R. Part 7, there is no charge for this response.

You may appeal this decision to the Administrator; Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E., Washington, DC 20590. According to the FOIA statute, 5 U.S.C. § 552 (a)(6)(A)(i)(III)(aa), your appeal must be submitted in writing within ninety (90) days of your receipt of this letter. Per the Department's FOIA regulations, 49 C.F.R. Part 7 the appeal must indicate that it is an appeal under FOIA, it must include all arguments and information upon which you rely, and the envelope in which the appeal is sent must be prominently marked, "FOIA Appeal."

you have any questions regarding your FOIA request, you may contact FRA's FOIA Office at: <u>FRAFOIA@dot.gov</u>. You may also contact FRA's FOIA Public Liaison, Mr. William Wong, at <u>FRAFOIALiaison@dot.gov</u> for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request.

Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is below:

Office of Government Information Services National Archives and Records Administration 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS College Park, Maryland 20740-6001 Email - <u>ogis@nara.gov</u> Telephone - 202-741-5770 or 1-877-684-6448 Fax - 202-741-5769

Since FRA has no records in its possession that are responsive to your request, I am closing your file in this office.

Sincerely,

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