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Mr. Scruggs,

This letter responds to the submission dated February 14, 2025, from the Southern California Regional Railroad Association (SCRRA), also known as Metrolink (SCAX), to the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA). SCAX is seeking approval for its Metrolink Conductor Certification Program, which the FRA received on the same date. Alstom manages the Metrolink Conductor Certification in collaboration with Transportation Certification Services (TCS).

SCAX has complied with FRA's procedures for the submission and approval of certification programs as outlined in Appendix B to 49 CFR Part 242. FRA has reviewed the Conductor Certification Program and determined that it conforms to the requirements of 49 CFR Part 242, including the provisions set forth in Appendix B.

Your submission indicates that, on February 14, 2025, SCAX provided a copy of its program modification to Mr. Patrick W. Darcy Jr., General Chairman of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Trainmen (BLET), and Mr. Rick Pauli, General Chairman of SMART-TD, the labor organization representing the railroad's employees. FRA has received no comments from either labor organization regarding the program or its modification.

Please contact us with questions regarding this submission at (202) 366-0978 or FRAOPCERTPROG@dot.gov or Kevin.Lewis@dot.gov or Kurt.Erickson@dot.gov.

Sincerely,

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