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Mr. Scruggs:

This letter responds to the Southern California Regional Railroad Association (SCRRA) submission dated March 26, 2025, to the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) seeking approval for its material modifications to the SCAX Metrolink Engineer Certification Program, which was received by FRA on the same date. SCAX/Alstom/TCS has complied with FRA's procedures for submission and approval of programs as outlined in Appendix B to 49 CFR part 240. FRA reviewed the railroad's program modifications and has determined that they conform to the requirements of 49 CFR part 240 for the reasons discussed below.

FRA acknowledges that Alstom/TCS has provided a copy of the Engineer Certification Program to John McCloskey, General Chairman of the SMART Union, representing employees subject to 49 CFR Part 240, and has submitted written notification to FRA; no comments were received.

The program meets the requirements of 49 CFR part 240, Appendix B. This program clearly defines and enhances the qualifications for DLSEs and engineers. It provides a precise path for mechanical employees to become qualified and properly authorized to operate locomotives and equipment within the limits described in Section One of this program.

Please contact us with any questions regarding this submission at (918) 557-0651 or [FRAOPCERTPROG@dot.gov](mailto:FRAOPCERTPROG@dot.gov) or [Kevin.Lewis@dot.gov](mailto:Kevin.Lewis@dot.gov) or [Kurt.Erickson@dot.gov](mailto:Kurt.Erickson@dot.gov)

Sincerely,

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