

APTA Rail Safety Audit, 1998 TTC Management Corrective Actions - Update

Meeting Date: November 22, 2000

Subject: APTA Rail Safety Audit, 1998 TTC Management Corrective Actions - Update

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Commission:

- i. Receive for information, the update of the TTC Management Corrective Actions for the 1998 APTA Rail Safety Audit.
- ii) Forward this report to the Minister of Transportation, Province of Ontario and the Clerk of the City of Toronto for Information.

Background

On October 10-30, 1998, the American Public Transportation Association (APTA) conducted a Rail Safety Audit for the Toronto Transit Commission. This Rail Safety Audit contributes to the TTC's ability to maintain effective self-regulatory safety programs.

The TTC's responses to the 1998 audit, through the Corrective Action Plans, focused its future progress in two major areas. First, there is a commitment to better define and continuously upgrade performance standards in all elements of the System Safety Plan. Second, management has made concrete improvements in the control over work methods, by instituting Standard Operating Procedures (SOP's) for safety critical functions. This has improved the fundamental way the TTC conducts its business.

Discussion

This is the first update of the progress that has been made to the TTC Management's Corrective Action Plans that were included in the "Final APTA Report", dated 22 NOVEMBER 1999. These Action Plans address the audit findings, state whether action will be taken on recommendations and bring forward an implementation schedule for the adoption of the recommendation. A recommendation has been closed when the responsible Department has determined that, in their view, the audit finding has been adequately addressed. They also could have decided that the recommendation has been satisfied as the intent of the recommendation has been accomplished by other means. These latter cases were given to APTA before the final report was released and is therefore part of the final report issued by APTA, November 1999. In the original APTA report, there are 166 recommendations. Recommendations that contained more than one section have been broken down (in this report) into their individual elements to make reporting more easily understood, as many of these recommendations had various

department responsibilities. By using this approach, there are 171 recommendations addressed in this Commission Report.

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Ninety-one (53%) of the recommendations have been completed as of the end of October 2000. Forty-three (25%) of the recommendations are on schedule for completion by their stated completion dates. Thirty-seven (22%) of the recommendations have experienced some delay in their implementation schedules. Reasons for these delays have been stated in the body of the report. The attachment contains all of the APTA Audit Recommendations with their current status as of the end of October 2000.

This report will be updated to the Commission every six months until the next APTA Audit or all recommendations have been closed.

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Attachments: APTA Rail Safety Audit, 1998

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