

Memorandum

U.S. Department of **Transportation**

Office of the Secretary of Transportation Office of Inspector General

Subject: INFORMATION: Notification of Audit of

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Security of Public Transit and

Passenger Rail Systems

Department of Transportation Project No. 04B3,009B000

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The Office of Inspector General is initiating an audit of the Department of Transportation's (DOT) public transit and passenger rail security initiatives. The audit objectives are to assess (1) DOT's roles and responsibilities for overseeing security of the Nation's public transit and passenger rail systems; (2) DOT's efforts to collaborate and coordinate with the Department of Homeland Security on public transit and passenger rail security rulemaking, oversight, and enforcement; and (3) the extent and effectiveness of DOT funding for securing the public transit and passenger rail system.

The audit will be conducted at the Office of the Secretary and selected Operating Administrations' headquarters in Washington, DC, and selected regional and field offices nationwide; the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak) in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and selected transit agencies and commuter rail authorities nationwide. Our staff in San Francisco, California, will conduct the audit.

We plan to begin the audit the week of August 2, 2004. We will contact your audit liaison to arrange an entrance conference. If you have any questions or need additional information prior to the entrance conference, please contact me at (202) 366-1992 or Ms. Robin K. Hunt, Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Hazardous Materials, Security and Special Programs, at (415) 744-3090.

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