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**SUBJECT:** DHS-Approved Training Courses for the Transit Security Grant Program

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This Information Bulletin supplements Information Bulletin (IB) #243 dated February 28, 2007, which addressed security training for front-line employees under the Transit Security Grant Program (TSGP). Attached to this IB is an updated Training Matrix containing 14 courses (5 basic Mass Transit Security Training courses and 9 follow-on courses) transit systems may request for their front-line employees using an expedited process.

All courses listed on the Training Matrix are approved by the Department of Homeland Security for the purposes of the Transit Security Grant Program.

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BASIC MASS TRANSIT SECURITY TRAINING PROGRAM														
Training Description	Focus	Standard	Categories of Employees to Receive									Federal Course Availability		
			Front-Line Employees	Station Managers	Administrative and Support Staff	Maintenance Workers	Mid-Level Management	Senior Management	Operations Control Center Staff	Security Guards	Law Enforcement	Title	Duration	
<b>Security Awareness</b>	Enhance capability to identify, report, and react to suspicious activity and security incidents	2 Hours Annually (minimum) Recurring	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	System Security Awareness for Transportation Employees	4 hours classroom 6 hours train the trainer
<b>Behavior Recognition</b>	Recognize behaviors associated with terrorists' reconnaissance and planning activities, including the conduct of surveillance. Applies lessons learned from the Israeli security meeting.	2 Hours Annually (minimum) Recurring	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Terrorist Awareness Recognition and Reaction (TARR)	4 hours classroom 6 hours train the trainer
<b>Immediate Emergency Response</b>	Prepare passenger rail train operators to deal with explosive detonations, incendiaries, released chemical hazards, and similar threats in the confines of trains and system infrastructure.	4 Hours Annually (minimum) Recurring	X	X						X		X	Incident Management for Transit Employees and Passenger Management (courses in development by NTI) Transit agencies do conduct local programs on this subject	TBD
<b>National Incident Management System (NIMS)</b>	Ensure transit agency emergency preparedness and response personnel gain and retain the knowledge and skills necessary to operate under NIMS in accordance with the National Response Plan (NRP).	Train on NIMS once; reinforce in drills and exercises		X					X	X		X	National Incident Management System (NIMS) for Transit	1 to 3 days
<b>Operations Control Center Readiness</b>	Identify security vulnerabilities. Understand and exercise role of OCC personnel in preventing terrorist attacks. Distinguish characteristics of improvised explosive devices (IEDs) and weapons of mass destruction. Specify priorities during a terrorist attack and manage incident response. Apply transit agency's operational plans for response to IED and WMD scenarios, directing and coordinating activities in the system.	Train for OCC readiness once; reinforce in drills and exercises								X			Rail Operations Control Center Response to WMD Incidents	6 hours

MASS TRANSIT SECURITY FOLLOW-ON COURSES													
Training Description	Focus	Standard	Front-Line Employees	Station Managers	Administrative and Support Staff	Maintenance Workers	Mid-Level Management	Senior Management	Operations Control Center Staff	Security Guards	Law Enforcement	Federal Course Title	Duration
Management of Transit Emergencies I (4-day course)	Ensure employees throughout the transit agency understand individual roles in emergency response and the transit system's role in emergencies or disasters in the system and the broader community.		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Effectively Managing Transit Emergencies	4 days
Management of Transit Emergencies II (1-day course)	Ensure employees throughout the transit agency understand individual roles in emergency response and the transit system's role in emergencies or disasters in the system and the broader community.		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Managing Terrorist Incidents in Rail Tunnels	6 hours
Coordinated Interagency Emergency Response	Advance interoperability of the transit agency with multiple responding entities in emergency response.		X	X		X				X	X	Connecting Communities Emergency Response and Preparedness Forum	2 days
Managing Counterterrorism Programs	Enable transit agency management officials to develop and manage a counterterrorism program in a transit system.			X			X	X	X			Strategic Counterterrorism for Transit Managers	2 days
Prevention and Mitigation - IEDS and WMD: T4 3-day course	Enhance capabilities to identify threats from improvised explosive devices and weapons of mass destruction (chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear) to identify, report, and react to suspicious activity and security incidents		X	X	X	X				X	X	Transit Terrorist Tools & Tactics (T4)	3 days
Prevention and Mitigation - IEDS and WMD: CBRNE Incident Management 1-day course	Enhance capabilities to identify threats from improvised explosive devices and weapons of mass destruction (chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear) to identify, report, and react to suspicious activity and security incidents		X	X	X	X				X	X	Transit Explosives (CBRNE) Incident Management Seminar	5 hours
Transit Vehicle Hijacking Prevention and Response	Enable employees to develop and implement plans and procedures to respond to transit vehicle hijackings and workplace violence		X	X		X			X	X	X	Threat Management and Emergency Response to Bus and Rail Hijackings	1 day
Integrated Anti-Terrorism Security Program	Enhance capabilities of transit agency security officials, law enforcement personnel, and others with interaction with passengers to detect, deter, and prevent acts of terrorism.						X	X		X	X	Land Transportation Anti-Terrorism Training Program (FLETC)	5 days
Transit System Security Design	Expand integration of security considerations into designs of new transit systems and improvements of existing systems.						X	X				Transit System Security Design Review	3 days