



U.S. Department
of Transportation

1200 New Jersey Ave., SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

Federal Railroad
Administration

July 28, 2020

Lonnie Murray
Director of Program Management
ADA Stations Program
1801 Market Street, Suite 1450
Philadelphia, PA 19103
lonnie.murray@amtrak.com

Dear Mr. Murray:

This letter is in response to your July 27, 2020, request under 49 C.F.R. § 37.42(d) for approval from the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) of a proposed plan to construct a passenger platform at Petersburg, Virginia. Based on the narrative Amtrak provided in support of its plan, FRA finds that the plan submission is complete and gives approval for a platform at 8 inches above top of rail. However, please continue working with FRA's engineering staff concerning the design details for the platform at the Petersburg station.

Note that the FRA Office of Safety has issued a publication entitled, "FRA Approach to Managing Gap Safety, Revision 03," dated December 7, 2007. This publication can be found at <http://www.fra.dot.gov/eLib/Details/L03196> and Amtrak should consult this publication during planning to minimize the gap as much as possible. If you have any questions concerning the Office of Safety guidance, please contact Devin Rouse at 202-493-6185.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at 202-493-6010, toll free: 1-877-536-8368, extension 36010, or at calvin.gibson@dot.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Calvin Gibson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Calvin Gibson
Director, Office of Civil Rights