Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASp) Certification

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Requirement for PTASP Certification

Each applicable recipient or State must certify their compliance with the PTASP regulation in FTA’s Transit Award Management System (TrAMS) (§ 673.13)
Who must certify compliance?

• Recipients of the Urbanized Area Formula Grants Program (49 U.S.C. Section 5307)
  – Section 5307 recipients that pass on funds to an applicable transit provider will make this certification on behalf of the subrecipient provider
  – In some cases, the recipient may be the State

• States with small public transportation providers that must meet PTASP regulation requirements

• Rail transit agencies in the State Safety Oversight Program
What does PTASP certification mean?

• When a recipient or State certifies, they are affirming that:
  – The recipient or State has fulfilled all applicable PTASP regulation requirements
    • The State developed Agency Safety Plans (ASP) that meet PTASP regulation requirements for all small public transportation providers in its jurisdiction that did not opt out and notify the State
    • The transit agency recipient meets the requirements of the PTASP regulation and has an ASP signed by the Accountable Executive and approved by the Board of Directors or Equivalent Authority
      – A State Safety Oversight Agency must approve an ASP for rail transit
  – Any applicable subrecipients have also fulfilled all applicable PTASP regulation requirements
When to Certify

• Recipients and States must certify their compliance only after they meet all applicable PTASP regulation requirements
  – Recipients should not complete this certification until after the Accountable Executive signs and the Board of Directors or Equivalent Authority approves the ASP

• Recipients and States can perform other certifications in TrAMS as appropriate and return at a later point to complete their PTASP regulation certification
How to Certify in TrAMS

- Log in to TrAMS and navigate to the Certifications and Assurances page
- Select Category “02”, “Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan”
How to Certify in TrAMS

• A pop-up will ask you to confirm that you want to certify to meeting PTASP regulation requirements
• Select “Yes”
Ongoing Certification

• After the initial certification in TrAMS, the recipient must complete the certification annually as part of the regular ongoing certification process.

• There may be less than one year between your Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 initial certification of compliance with the PTASP regulation and your FY 2021 certification of compliance with the PTASP regulation.
PTASP Technical Assistance Center Links and Contact Information

Technical Assistance Center
• www.transit.dot.gov/PTASP-TAC

PTASP Community of Practice
• www.transit.dot.gov/PTASP-COP

Frequently Asked Questions
• www.transit.dot.gov/PTASP-FAQs
TrAMS Contact Information

• For help with TrAMS or specific questions about the certification and assurances process, please contact the TrAMS Help Desk
  – FTA.TrAMS.help@dot.gov
  – Phone: 703-677-9035
  – Alternate Phone: 877-561-7466
Questions?

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