

# Safety Updates

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### Discussion Topics

- DPU Triennial Audit
- Recent Incidents and Corrective Actions

#### DPU Triennial Audit - Background

- State Safety Oversight Agencies (SSOAs) nationwide, including the Department of Public Utilities (DPU), are required to conduct an audit of each Rail Transit Agency's (RTA) compliance with its Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) on a three-year timeframe
- Periodic audits are part of a multi-layered approach by DPU and MBTA to ensure ongoing compliance with the Transit Safety Plan
- Triennial Audits include interviews, observations, and records reviews
- DPU's audit of MBTA compliance with the Transit Safety Plan was performed in 2023

#### DPU Triennial Audit – MBTA Review

220 CMR 151.10(2) describes DPU's Triennial Audit process and specifies that MBTA be given the opportunity to comment on any finding and/or recommendation offered in the report, which has been completed

MBTA comments included clarifying information, requests for additional detail, and documented areas of overlap between DPU's findings and ongoing FTA SMI Corrective Actions

#### DPU Triennial Audit – Next Steps

Upon issuance of DPU's final audit report, MBTA will have 60 days to respond to findings with formal Corrective Action Plans (CAPs)

DPU and MBTA already employ the CAP process to manage actions in response to findings from accident investigations, MBTA's internal audits, and other oversight activities

Continuous dialogue between DPU and MBTA on the audit findings, recommendations, and corrective actions ensures that all planned actions resulting from the audit are aligned with shared goals and objectives for MBTA's safety program

Once the CAPs are approved by DPU, they will be tracked to completion

### Recent Incidents and Corrective Actions

## Questions?