Roadway Worker Fatality Queens Village

Long Island Rail Road Corporate Safety Department

SYNOPSIS:

On Saturday, June 10, 2017 at approximately 10:12am a Track Foreman was struck by a train and fatally injured while working near Queens Village. The incident is under investigation by the NTSB and FRA.

RULES AND PROCEDURES TO REVIEW

Please review RWP rules and procedures in the RWP On Track Safety Manual including:

- Do not foul a live track without proper protection (page 16).
- Establish a Predetermined Place of Safety (PPOS) during the required job briefing (page 13).
- Everyone must be able to clear at least 15 seconds prior to the arrival of a train or other on-track equipment at their location (page 28).
- A PPOS cannot be in a track unless working limits (main track out of service, foul time, inaccessible track) are established (page 13 and 104).

RAIL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Situational Awareness: Remaining focused on the task at hand while following all safety and operating rules is essential at all times. All workers must have a clear understanding of the methods of protection to be used and where to clear if applicable. Additionally, always expect train or equipment movement on any track, in either direction, at any time.

SUMMARY:

The Job Briefing is the most important safety tool when working on or near the tracks. The job briefing will include the form of roadway worker protection to be used, site specific hazards, predetermined place of safety, track speed, adjacent track protection, and other relevant information as outlined in the RWP On Track Safety Manual. If conditions change you must clear the tracks and hold an additional job briefing.

This <u>Red Alert</u> bulletin does not supersede the Operating Rules or Special Instructions. If you have any questions, please contact the proper authority.





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ROADWAY WORKER PROTECTION PROGRAM ON-TRACK SAFETY MANUAL



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