



**National Transportation Safety Board  
490 L'Enfant Plaza, SW  
Washington, DC 20594**

Re: Collapse of Pedestrian Bridge Under Construction  
Date and Time: March 15, 2018, approximately 1:47 p.m. eastern daylight time  
Location: Miami, Florida  
NTSB #: HWY18MH009

NTSB Party Member:

I am informing you that all draft Group Chairman Factual Reports, including videos, attachments, and photographs, in the above-referenced investigation are available for your technical review and comment. The draft Group Chairman Factual reports, including videos, attachments, and photographs can be found in Accellion under a subfolder entitled "Technical Review". The deadline for submitting technical review comments is close-of-business (COB) on Friday, November 30, 2018. All technical review comments, where applicable, should list page number and line number(s) and be directed to my attention at the email listed below. If you don't have any comments, please advise me in writing accordingly.

The NTSB investigative team will review all factual technical review comments and discuss the disposition of those comments at a technical review meeting in Washington, D.C. at NTSB headquarters on December 11, 2018, between 9:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. The location of the technical review meeting will be sent to you prior to the meeting. The parties are invited to the in-person technical review meeting on December 11, 2018 in which only one person representing their respective party will be allowed to attend<sup>1</sup>. The technical review meeting will not be tele-conferenced nor utilize any call services or telecommunications media. We will require strict adherence to the time constraints so that the technical review meeting may be completed in one day.

The purpose of the technical review is to verify the accuracy and completeness of the factual information on which the analysis will be based. We are inviting factual comments only, not analytical comments or editorial suggestions.

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<sup>1</sup> Be advised; no attorneys or experts of any kind will be allowed to attend and/or represent any of the party members.

Pursuant to the “**CERTIFICATION OF PARTY REPRESENTATIVE**” that was signed by each party member; **Section XV. Party Recommendations as to Findings, Conclusions, and Recommendations** ‘Any party to an investigation may, and is encouraged to, submit to the NTSB proposed findings of fact and conclusions that the party believes should be drawn from the evidence obtained during the investigation. A party may also propose safety recommendations for preventive action. All submissions should be made in writing and parties should serve copies of submissions on all other parties.’ Any submissions must be submitted to the other parties and the Investigator-in-Charge (IIC) by June 25, 2019.

Please remember that all factual reports, including videos, attachments, and photographs are for official-use-only until released in the public docket, and NTSB regulations prohibit the release of investigative information that has not been released by the NTSB without prior consultation and approval of the IIC.

If you have any questions regarding the technical review process, please feel free to contact me on my cell number at [REDACTED]

Respectfully,

Robert Accetta  
Investigator-In-Charge  
National Transportation Safety Board  
Office of Highway Safety

## Accetta Robert

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**From:** Accetta Robert  
**Sent:** Friday, November 9, 2018 12:28 AM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** Walsh Daniel; Prouty Steven; Beckjord Michele; Bragg Kenneth; Barth Thomas  
**Subject:** Technical Review of Miami, FL Group Chairman Reports and Supporting Documentation  
**Attachments:** Miami, FL Technical Review Cover Letter.pdf  
**Importance:** High

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One remaining item that is not included in the Accellion subfolder are the transcribed interviews conducted by the NTSB. Next week I will advise you on when the transcribed interviews will be available for viewing. Note, that the transcribed interviews are available for viewing only, and no comments are being requested.

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Please see the attached document for additional information and guidelines. If you have any questions regarding the technical review process, please feel free to contact me on my cell number at [REDACTED] or e-mail me at [REDACTED]

Respectfully,



**Robert Accetta**  
*Investigator-in-Charge (IIC)*  
*West Team Supervisor*  
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## Accetta Robert

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**From:** Accetta Robert  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 12, 2018 2:45 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Party Technical Review Comments and Party Submissions  
**Importance:** High

Party Members,

[REDACTED] All of the party technical review comments, throughout the technical review process, and any party submissions turned in by June 25, 2019 will be placed in the NSTB Official-Use-Only portion of the docket and is not available to the public.

Technical review follow-up submission schedule;

1. Friday, December 21, 2018, party member follow-up submissions are due by COB,
2. Friday, December 28, 2018, NTSB will distribute party member follow-up submissions to all party members,
3. Friday, January 11, 2019, NTSB responses and disposition of party members follow-up submissions,
4. Friday, January 18, 2019, final party member submissions for NTSB reconsideration,
5. Friday, February 1, 2019, NTSB distribution of final bridge factors report to party members.



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**From:** Accetta Robert  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 31, 2019 2:05 PM  
**To:** abdiel.cruz@oig.dot.gov; ahipps@figgbridge.com; benjamin.graybeal@dot.gov; Condell Eastmond;  
[REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Miami, FL - Follow-up Review of Party Submissions to the Technical Review  
**Attachments:** Table 9 Summarizes Key Personnel.docx; FDOT's Comments.zip; FIGG's Comments.zip; BPA's Comments.zip; Barnhart Crane & Rigging Comments.zip; FHWA's Comments.zip; FIU's Comments.zip; Distribution of Party Member Follow-Up Submissions RA.pdf  
**Importance:** High

Party Members,

Attached are the technical review follow-up submissions as received by each party member. The party member follow-up submissions have been tabulated and are attached as; "Distribution of Party Member Follow-Up Submissions." The NTSB received a total of 55 comments and currently all the comments indicate a status of "Pending." You are encouraged to read through each comment carefully and provide any edits/suggestions so that the NTSB may determine a final disposition of each comment. After receiving your edits/suggestions the status of each comment will be changed to "Accepted – Changes Made" or "Not Accepted" with a reason why it was not accepted.

The FCA File Attachments referenced in FIGG's party member follow-up submissions can be downloaded from the following link:

[REDACTED]

The link expires on March 31, 2019, so please be sure to download the FCA File Attachments before the link expires. The FCA File Attachments is approximately 240 MB and could not be sent through the email system.

Please provide your edits/suggestions on the party member follow-up submissions by close of business on Friday, February 15, 2019.

One comment received from FIGG at the technical review meeting was the addition of "P.E." to the names of key personnel from BPA, MCM, FIGG, and FIU in Table 9. In addition to your edits/suggestions on the party member follow-up submissions, please include the designation of "P.E." to your party's key personnel in Table 9, attached.

The revised technical review follow-up submission schedule is the following:

1. Friday, February 15, 2019, Party member submissions for NTSB consideration,
2. Friday, March 1, 2019, NTSB responses and disposition of party member follow-up submissions,
3. Friday, March 8, 2019, Final party member submissions for NTSB reconsideration,
4. Friday, March 22, 2019, NTSB final disposition of party member follow-up submissions for reconsideration and distribution of final bridge factors report to party members.

The revised schedule does not take into consideration if the federal government is shut down again. If that occurs, the schedule will be revised accordingly.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Please cc Mr. Dan Walsh [REDACTED] in your edits/suggestions for the party member follow-up submissions.

Thank you.



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## Walsh Daniel

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**From:** Accetta Robert  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 21, 2019 4:28 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** Walsh Daniel; Prouty Steven; Beckjord Michele; Lamm Adrienne; Molloy Robert; Poland Kristin; Bagnard Mark  
**Subject:** Final Disposition of Party Submissions  
**Attachments:** December 11, 2018 Disposition of FIGG Party Member Comments.pdf; December 11, 2018 Disposition of FIU\_BPA\_MCM Party Member Comments.pdf; Final Disposition of Party Member Follow-Up Submissions\_3-22-19.pdf  
**Importance:** High

Party Members,

The NTSB carefully considered the final submissions for NTSB reconsideration received from all party members on March 8, 2019. The changes made to the “Bridge Factors Group Chairman’s Factual Report” are shown in blue text that incorporate submissions distributed to the party members in the following tables:

- Attachment #1 – Disposition of Party Member Technical Review Comments Received from: FIU, BPA, & MCM, distributed at Technical Review Meeting held on December 11, 2018,
- Attachment #2 – Disposition of Party Member Technical Review Comments Received from FIGG, distributed at Technical Review Meeting held on December 11, 2018,
- Attachment #3 – March 22, 2019; Final NTSB Disposition of March 8, 2019 Party Member Follow-Up Submissions for Reconsideration.

Please note that in the tables entitled “Attachment #1 – Disposition of Party Member Technical Review Comments Received from: FIU, BPA, & MCM distributed at the Technical Review Meeting held on December 11, 2018” and “Attachment #2 – Disposition of Party Member Technical Review Comments Received from FIGG distributed at the Technical Review Meeting held on December 11, 2018,” a majority of the “Conditional” comments were changed to “Accepted” and many of the “Not Accepted” comments were changed to “Accepted” after careful review of the follow-up technical review submissions for reconsideration by party members.

The “Bridge Factors Group Chairman’s Factual Report” along with all of the attachments and photographs can be downloaded from Accellion under the folder “Technical Review Final Disposition of Party Member Follow-Up Submissions.” In addition to these documents, you may download the final party member submissions received on March 8, 2019, revised Attachments 1 through 15, as well as the three tables that are attached to this email.



The NTSB will not be taking any additional comments on the “Bridge Factors Group Chairman’s Factual Report.” I want to thank all parties for their technical review submissions to the group chairman factual reports and look forward to working with you on the next phase of the investigation.

Thank you.



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