



**Technical Review**

**Letters to Parties**

**Pittsburgh, PA**

**HWY22MH003**

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# National Transportation Safety Board

Office of Highway Safety  
Washington, DC 20594



April 28, 2023

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Via email to [REDACTED]

Dear Mr. Ocel:

As a party to the NTSB investigation into the January 28, 2022, collapse of the Fern Hollow bridge in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, the Federal Highway Administration is invited to review the draft Factual Report of Investigation and accompanying attachments.

The files have been uploaded to Kiteworks, the secure file transfer and sharing site used by the NTSB (click [REDACTED] for a direct link to Kiteworks). The purpose of the technical review is to afford you an opportunity to verify the accuracy and completeness of the factual information on which the NTSB analysis will be based. Accordingly, please provide comments or corrections to the factual information; analytical comments and editorial changes will not be acted upon.

As the Party representative, you may have others within your agency review the documents, but please remember they are for official use only until released via the public docket; NTSB regulations prohibit the public release of investigative information without the approval of the Investigator-in-Charge. Please gather the comments from your agency's personnel into one overall response. The deadline for submitting comments is **5:00 p.m. EST Friday, May 12, 2023.** Comments should be uploaded into the subfolder for your agency under the 'Technical Review Comments' folder in Kiteworks.


The NTSB investigative team will review all comments and develop an NTSB response. We will then meet with you at the Hotel Indigo Pittsburgh Technology Center, 329 Technology Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15219 at 8:00 a.m. on May 31, 2023 (as discussed via email) to discuss the response and resolve any outstanding comments collectively with the other parties. A written summary of the final disposition of all comments,

including what changes have been made to the reports or attachments, will be provided to all parties.

Later in the process, you will have an opportunity to make a party submission in which you may offer your analysis, including conclusions, probable cause, and recommendations. Additional information on this process, including the deadline for submissions, will be sent at a later date.

If you have any questions about the NTSB investigation or the technical review process, please feel free to contact me via phone or email.

Sincerely,

Dennis J. Collins  
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April 28, 2023

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Via email to [REDACTED]

Dear Mr. Runyen:

As a party to the NTSB investigation into the January 28, 2022, collapse of the Fern Hollow bridge in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation is invited to review the draft Factual Report of Investigation and accompanying attachments.

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April 28, 2023

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Via email to [REDACTED]

Dear Mr. Setzler:

As a party to the NTSB investigation into the January 28, 2022, collapse of the Fern Hollow bridge in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, the City of Pittsburgh is invited to review the draft Factual Report of Investigation and accompanying attachments.

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Via email to [REDACTED]

Dear Deputy Chief Hudzinski:

As a party to the NTSB investigation into the January 28, 2022, collapse of the Fern Hollow bridge in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, the Pittsburgh Regional Transit Police is invited to review the draft Factual Report of Investigation and accompanying attachments.

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