



National Transportation Safety Board

Docket Item Placeholder

Petition for Reconsideration submitted through counsel by Dr. Shama

Pedestrian Bridge Collapse Over SW 8th Street Miami, Florida March 15, 2018 – HWY18MH009

On December 20, 2019, Dr. Ayman Shama, through counsel, submitted to the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) a letter requesting changes to highway accident report NTSB/HAR-19/02, Pedestrian Bridge Collapse Over SW 8th Street, Miami, Florida, March 15, 2018, which the Board adopted on October 22, 2019. Dr. Shama is a former associate vice president and director of seismic engineering at Louis Berger, the architecture and construction development company that conducted a pre-accident independent peer review of the pedestrian bridge at Florida International University in Miami. NTSB investigators also interviewed Dr. Shama during the investigation of the bridge collapse.

The NTSB considered the letter submitted by Dr. Shama's counsel to be a Petition for Reconsideration as outlined in Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 845.32. Typically, the petitioner's letter is placed into the NTSB's public docket allowing it to reside with the other material the agency deemed pertinent to the investigation. However, in this case the petitioner's letter has been marked as "*Privileged and Confidential*" and the letter's supporting information has been marked as "*Confidential*". These markings prevent the NTSB from placing the documents into the public docket. Repeated communications with Dr. Shama's counsel have failed to result in the removal of these markings, and as such this docket item placeholder has been entered into the NTSB public docket to explain the absence of Dr. Shama's Petition for Reconsideration. The following material related to Dr. Shama's Petition for Reconsideration are included in the *Miami, FL investigative docket – HWY18MH009* for public viewing and may be found at: [NTSB Docket - Docket Management System](#)

- Certificate of Service showing receipt of Dr. Shama's letter and supporting documents to other parties of the Miami, FL investigation.
- Response by Figg Bridge Engineers, Inc. (FIGG) to Dr. Shama's letter.
- The NTSB's response to the Petition for Reconsideration