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Andy Byford
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Dear Mr. Byford:

We write as the elected representatives of Penn Station and the surrounding neighborhoods to follow up on our meeting last month, during which you verbally represented that federal procurement regulations (2 CFR 200 *et seq.*) limit Amtrak's ability to publicly disclose the Request for Proposals (RFP) distributed to the three shortlisted teams competing to become the Master Developer.

The federal procurement regulations require that procurement "must be conducted in a manner that provides full and open competition and is consistent with the standards of [the federal procurement regulations]." 2 CFR 200.319(a). Amtrak has not identified any statutory, regulatory, or case law authority for the proposition that releasing the RFP to the public — on the same terms already provided equally to all three competing teams — would (a) interfere with full and open competition, or (b) otherwise violate the regulations or any other federal requirement. We request that Amtrak provide such authority. It is our understanding that Amtrak has released other RFPs publicly while responses were pending, including RFPs subject to potential future amendment.

We request a written response identifying the specific legal basis, if any, for withholding the RFP from public disclosure. In the absence of any such legal basis, we would urge you to release the RFP to the public.

Sincerely,



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Manhattan Borough President



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