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## Statement by Gateway Corporation Trustees on Legislative Proposal by Senator Schumer

**Jerry Zaro, Tony Coscia and Steven M. Cohen, the Trustees of the Gateway Program Development Corporation**, which oversees delivery of the Gateway Program, issued the following statement on the proposal by Senator Schumer to enable States to move forward with construction on projects in the pipeline for Federal funding with knowledge that they will be reimbursed:

“The legislation proposed today by Senator Schumer would go a long way toward breaking the log jam in Washington over the critically-important Gateway Program projects. We appreciate his ongoing leadership and the commitment of our State and local partners in keeping Gateway moving forward, no matter what. As the recent RPA report showed, the stakes are far too high to allow politics to further delay the start of major construction. We look forward to meeting with the Senate delegations of New York and New Jersey next week to discuss this and other aspects of the Gateway Program.”

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*The Gateway Program is the most urgent infrastructure program in the country – a comprehensive rail investment program that will improve commuter and intercity services, add needed resiliency and create new capacity for the busiest section of the Northeast Corridor (NEC). The NEC is the most heavily used passenger rail line in the country hosting more than 2,200 train movements and 800,000 passenger trips daily. The Gateway Program Development Corporation (GDC) is a New Jersey not-for-profit entity with Board members representing Amtrak and the States of New York and New Jersey. It was incorporated in 2016 to oversee and effectuate the Gateway Program in coordination with federal and local partner agencies. Follow the GDC on Twitter [@GatewayProgNews](https://twitter.com/GatewayProgNews).*