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Statement by Gateway Program Development Corporation on Appointment of New Gateway Commissioners

The following can be attributed to Frank Sacr, Interim Executive Director:

"We welcome and congratulate the new Gateway Commissioners who will form the founding Board of the bi-state Gateway Development Commission. They are seasoned transportation, advocacy and government professionals who will be tremendously helpful in finally replacing a more than century-old system with 21st Century rail transportation linking New York and New Jersey.

Today's announced Commissioners join Amtrak's Tony Coscia, who was appointed this summer by the Amtrak Board of Directors, and now gives GDC a full complement of Commissioners ready to move Gateway forward.

Our full slate of Commissioners will be good for the region, the nation's economy, and - most importantly - the hundreds of thousands of daily Amtrak and NJ TRANSIT riders. We thank Governors Cuomo and Murphy as well as the New York and New Jersey Legislatures for their continued leadership and support of Gateway.

The new, stronger organization will have the tools and resources necessary to oversee delivery of the Gateway Program projects. Building on the success of the Gateway Program Development Corporation, we must move to full construction as soon as possible on these critical infrastructure improvements before it's too late."

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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).