

**#0518-03: HUDSON YARDS CONCRETE CASING – SECTION 3 –
ENDORSEMENT OF LIRR EMERGENCY SERVICES BUILDING
UTILITY RELOCATION**

The Hudson Tunnel Project is one of the nation's most important passenger rail infrastructure projects. It addresses critical resiliency and redundancy needs for the Northeast Corridor - the busiest passenger rail line in the country. The project includes the construction of a new tunnel between New York and New Jersey, the rehabilitation of the existing 107-year old tunnel under the Hudson River, and the completion of the Hudson Yards Concrete Casing (Section 3) to preserve tunnel right-of-way around the future tracks on the West Side of Manhattan leading from the new tunnel to New York Penn Station.

Necessary for the advancement of the final section of the Hudson Yards Concrete Casing (Section 3), is the relocation of the Long Island Rail Road (LIRR) Emergency Services Building (ESB) utilities in Hudson Yards in Manhattan out of the future tracks' right-of-way. The relocation is estimated to cost approximately \$25 million, with funding provided equally by the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey and Amtrak. The relocation of the ESB is critical to ensuring that the Hudson Yards Concrete Casing, and ultimately the entire Hudson Tunnel Project can move forward.

Having considered this report, and in furtherance of the Gateway Program Development Corporation's (GDC) commitment to furthering the Gateway Program on an accelerated basis, it is the Board's desire to endorse the actions taken by Amtrak and the Port Authority to advance the relocation of the LIRR ESB utilities as part of the completion of the Hudson Yards Concrete Casing in Western Manhattan.

Pursuant to the foregoing report, the following resolution was adopted, with Trustees Cohen, Coscia, and Zaro voting in favor.

RESOLVED, that the Board hereby endorses the advancement of the relocation of the LIRR ESB utilities as part of the completion of the Hudson Yards Concrete Casing in Western Manhattan.