The Metropolitan Transportation Authority ("MTA"), on behalf of itself and its subsidiaries, will hold a public hearing pursuant to Article 2 of the New York State Eminent Domain Procedure Law ("EDPL") on the proposed acquisition of permanent property interests in properties in the County of Westchester for the Metro-North Upgrade Automotive Fuel System Project ("Project" or "AFS"). The hearing will review the public uses, benefits, purposes, and location of the Project, the impact the Project may have on the environment and residents of the area, and will give the public an opportunity to comment on the Project and the proposed Property acquisition.

## **Description of the Project**

Metro-North's AFS Project addresses design and construction of automotive fueling stations with above ground fueling systems to replace existing 30-year-old facilities at Harmon Yard, Brewster North Yard and North White Plains Yard. While there is sufficient property for Harmon and Brewster North Yards, the North White Plains Yard site requires the acquisition of private property adjacent to the existing Yard. This strategic location will offer significant safety benefits by relocating the new fueling station away from Yard traffic and allowing for the safe and efficient flow of vehicles. This public hearing includes property interests needed for the Project.

## Date, Time and Place of the Hearing

Thursday, March 30, 2023

Hearing begins at 6:00 p.m. – Registration is from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm Hybrid Public Hearing will include both in person and virtual platforms

New York Power Authority 181 Hamilton Avenue, Jaguar Room White Plains, New York 10601

<u>Public Hearing Format</u>: This will be a hybrid hearing with in-person participation as well as via Zoom's online platform and conference call feature, with a livestream available on the **Metro-North Upgrade Automotive Fuel System (AFS) Project** website **https://new.mta.info/2023-afsproject-hearing**. Those interested in speaking must pre-register to speak at the public hearing. Each registered speaker will have three (3) minutes to speak.

Registering for the Public Hearing: To register to speak at the public hearing, please sign up to comment in-person, online or call the Public Hearing Hotline at (646) 252-6777. All comments will be transcribed and made part of the permanent record of this hearing.

Joining the Public Hearing: If you are registered to speak, you may join the Zoom webinar online, in-person or by phone following these instructions:

Join Zoom Webinar Online: To access the Zoom webinar online, visit the website: https://new.mta.info/2023-afsproject-hearing.

Click below to join the webinar:

https://mta.zoom.us/j/87864629377?pwd=akt1UCszeGFG0U5ka2VzTW1pc0tnUT09

Passcode: Fs=5vzVcx@

**Join Zoom Webinar by Telephone:** To access the Zoom webinar by telephone, please call 1-888-788-0099 (Toll Free) Webinar ID: 878 6462 9377 Passcode: 8208156770

View Only Online: Members of the public who wish only to view the hearings may access the event live at https://new.mta.info/2023-afsproject-hearing

For More Information, to Pre-Register to Speak, or to Submit Comments

Those wishing to be heard at the Public Hearing must register on the website, https://new.mta.info/2023-af-sproject-hearing verbal comments will be limited to three (3) minutes. You may present verbal testimony or submit written statements in lieu of or to supplement oral testimony concerning the proposed project. Written comments will be accepted online at https://new.mta.info/2023-afsproject-hearing. Comments may also be submitted via postal mail to: MTA Government & Community Relations, Attn: MN Upgrade AFS Project, 2 Broadway, D17.112, New York, NY 10004.

All written and online comments must be received by 5:30 p.m. on April 7, 2023.

Comments received after this date and time will not be considered.

For questions about the Hearing, contact: Joe O'Donnell, MTA Construction & Development, 2 Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10004 Tel.: (646) 252-2959 or Joseph.o'donnell@mtacd.org.

Any property owner or other interested party who may wish to challenge the proposed property taking via judicial review may do so only on the basis of issues, facts, and objections raised at the EDPL public hearing.

## LOCATION & TYPE OF PROPERTY INTEREST THAT MAY BE ACQUIRED

| Section | Block | Lot | Property Address                | Property Interest     |
|---------|-------|-----|---------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 120.20  | 1     | 1   | 4 Fisher Lane, White Plains, NY | Permanent Full Taking |

## Accessibility and Language Assistance Services

At the hybrid Public Hearing, American Sign Language and CART captioning services will be available.

Members of the public who are deaf or hard of hearing can use their preferred relay service or the free 711 relay service, and then ask to be connected to the public hearing hotline at 646-252-6777 to speak with an agent.

Members of the public who are blind or have low vision can request accommodations on or before March 23, 2023, by submitting a request online or by calling the public hearing hotline at 646-252-6777.

Members of the public who do not have access to a computer or who do not have access to the Internet can listen to the hearing by calling the Zoom webinar at 1-888-788-0099 (Toll Free) Webinar ID: 878 6462 9377 Passcode: 8208156770

If language assistance or any other accommodations are required, please submit a request by March 23, 2023 in one of the following ways: online, by calling the public hearing hotline at 646-252-6777, or by sending a letter to: MTA Government & Community Relations, Re: MN Upgrade AFS Project, 2 Broadway, D17.112, New York, NY 10004. For those who make a timely request for language assistance, the MTA will provide translation.

