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TECHNICAL COMMITTEE: Railroad and Light Rail Transit Technical Committee

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TOPIC: MUTCD Proposed change to Emergency Notification Signs (ENS), Section 10C.21

ORIGIN: Railroad and Light Rail Transit Technical Committee

DISCUSSION: The RR&LRTTC has proposed to replace the current Section 8B.12 regarding ENS. Section 10C.21 is proposed to be changed to be consistent with the proposed changes in Section 8B.12 with the following.

REPLACE THE EXISTING SECTION 10C.21 with the following:

Section 10C.21 Emergency Notification Sign (EM-8)

Guidance:

Emergency Notification Signs (ENS) should be installed at all highway-light rail transit grade crossings on semiexclusive alignments to provide information to roadway users to permit notification of emergencies or malfunction of traffic control devices.

Standard:

When Emergency Notification Signs are used, they shall, at a minimum, include a unique crossing identifier and the emergency contact telephone number. The Emergency Notification Signs shall be positioned so as not to obstruct any traffic control devices or limit the view of light rail transit vehicles approaching the highway-light rail transit grade crossing.
**The unique crossing identifier and emergency contact telephone number shall be a minimum letter height of ½ in.**

Option:

In lieu of Emergency Notification Signs, the unique crossing identifier and emergency contact telephone number may be displayed on the enclosure for the signal apparatus at crossings equipped with active traffic control systems.

**Standard:**

Emergency Notification Signs shall use black letters on a white background.

**Guidance:**

Emergency Notification Signs or information should be oriented so as to face vehicles stopped on or at the crossing or traveled way near the crossing.

At station crossings, Emergency Notification Signs or information should be posted in a conspicuous location.

Emergency Notifications Signs mounted on crossbuck assemblies or signal masts should only be large enough to provide the necessary contact information. Use of larger signs which may obstruct the view of light rail transit vehicles should be avoided.

Emergency Notification signs should be retro-reflective.

**Support:**

Example of sign message are shown in Figure 10C-4.
IN EMERGENCY CALL
1-800-555-5555
CROSSING ABC XYZ