Decision No. C24-0049

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 23M-0217R

REPOSITORY DOCKET FOR THREE-YEAR STATE SAFETY OVERSIGHT AUDIT AND INVESTIGATIONS OF THE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT.

COMMISSION DECISION APPROVING SEMI-ANNUAL VIRTUAL AUDIT 1 REPORT

Mailed Date: January 25, 2024

Adopted Date: January 24, 2024

I. BY THE COMMISSION

A. Statement

- 1. This matter comes before the Commission for consideration of the Semi-Annual Virtual and On-Site Safety Audit 1 Report (Audit Report 1) of the Denver Metro area Regional Transportation District (RTD) light rail operation filed on January 16, 2024.
- 2. Audit Report 1, dated January 3, 2024, represents the first audit of a three-year on-site safety review of RTD's Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan as required by Rule 7352 of the Rules Regulating Railroads, Rail Fixed Guideways, Transportation by Rail, and Rail Crossings, 4 *Code of Colorado Regulations* 723-7. Commission Safety Audit Rule 7352 was completed by Staff of the Commission (Staff). There was one finding made during the first audit of the cycle.
- 3. As required by Rule 7352(c), RTD was provided 30 days to review the draft Audit Report 1. RTD's comments were prepared and submitted to address the findings found

during the audit. The Corrective action plan has been provided for the finding resulting from this audit.

- 4. The Commission has reviewed Audit Report 1 prepared by Staff and concurs with the contents of the report.
- 5. With the changes that will continuously be occurring to RTD's Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan, RTD documentation, and potentially Commission Rules in the future, we will allow Staff the flexibility to update these checklists throughout the audit cycle as needed to make required reference changes and to change questions as RTD documentation is developed and updated.
- 6. The Commission has jurisdiction in this matter under § 40-18-103, C.R.S., and Rule 7352.

II. ORDER

A. The Commission Orders That:

1. The Commission approves the Semi-Annual Virtual And On-Site Safety Audit 1 Report dated January 3, 2024.

2. This Decision is effective on its Mailed Date.

B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING January 24, 2024.

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