

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION
FY 23-24 CONSOLIDATED RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE AND SAFETY
IMPROVEMENTS “CRISI”
GRANT APPLICATION**

**Driving Maine's Rural Economy through
Freight Rail Efficiency Project**

**MATCH COMMITMENT
LETTERS**



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May 22, 2024

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg, Secretary
United States Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE
Washington, DC 20590

Re: Assurance of Matching Funds

Dear Secretary Buttigieg,

This letter serves as evidence of assurance by the State of Maine Department of Transportation (MaineDOT) that matching funds for the 2023-24 Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) Program submitted by MaineDOT are committed, will be provided, and are available.

MaineDOT has written commitments from NBM Railways and One North as project partners for all matching funds.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bruce A. Van Note'.

Bruce A. Van Note
Commissioner

May 22, 2024

The Honorable Amit Bose
Administrator
Federal Railroad Administration
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

RE: ASSURANCE OF MATCHING FUNDS

Dear Administrator Bose:

This letter serves as evidence of assurance by Our Katahdin that matching funds for the CRISI Project "*Driving Maine's Rural Economy Through Freight Rail Efficiency*", submitted by May 24, 2024; are committed and will be provided. This project will reconstitute essential rail infrastructure on our industrial site.

Our direct matching share is \$1,614,933.

Sincerely,



Sean DeWitt
President
Our Katahdin
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May 17, 2024

Maine Department of Transportation
Mr. Nathan Moulton
Director, Office of Freight and Business Logistics
16 State House Station, 2nd Floor
Augusta, ME 04332-0016

Dear Mr. Moulton:

As part of the 2023 Driving Maine's Rural Economy through Freight Rail Efficiency CRISI grant, Eastern Maine Railway commits to contribute \$11,713,340 for the track construction from Millinocket to Brownville Junction (Millinocket subdivision) as well as Brownville Junction to Vanceboro (Mattawamkeag subdivision), provided the requested grant funding is made available.

Regards,



Ian Simpson
General Manager
Eastern Maine Railway