

# COMMISSION ACTION

NCPC File No. 6712



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**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**  
**NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION RAIL PILOT PROJECT**  
Washington, D.C.

Submitted by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security

November 2, 2006

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*Commission Action Requested by Applicant*

Approval of preliminary and final site and building plans pursuant to 40 U.S.C. § 8722(b)(1) and (d).

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*Commission Action*

The Commission:

- **Approves** the preliminary and final site and building plans for the National Capital Region Rail Pilot Project, as shown on NCPC Map File No. 0.00 (38.40)-42132.
- **Requests** the U.S. Department of Homeland Security remove all equipment, wires and support poles associated with the project, when the Department determines to abandon the project or finds its future use obsolete. Additionally, diligent and continued yearly maintenance and clean-up of the right-of-way is recommended to assist security activities.
- **Encourages** the evaluation of permanent solutions to address the risks associated with hazardous materials being transported through the nation's capital. This should specifically include rerouting the freight rail service from the monumental core, which is being studied by NCPC in the Railroad Alternative Alignment Feasibility Study being conducted in conjunction with the District Department of Transportation with funding from the Department of Homeland Security.

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