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## **LIRRCC: WE'RE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT DELAYS TO PTC**

February 25, 2019:

The Long Island Rail Road Commuter Council is very concerned to learn for the first time at today's MTA committee meeting that Positive Train Control, which we were told as late as December was on time, is at risk of missing the 2020 deadline. Revealed today at the Committee meeting was the fact that many of the components delivered by the manufacturer are malfunctioning and are being recalled. This could result in the LIRR not meeting the 2020 Federal deadline for completion. "Despite the fact that PTC is an unfunded federal mandate, it must be completed to ensure the safety of riders. The LIRRCC demands that corrective action be taken immediately and any costs relating to same be borne by those responsible," said Mark Epstein, Chair of the LIRRCC.