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MTA Commits \$8.8 Billion for Capital Projects: We Have Some Questions

“Building and rebuilding our transit system is incredibly important to millions of New Yorkers and the entire region, and we’re heartened that the MTA is finally using the funds from prior capital programs for this critical work. These projects will help get riders where they’re going faster, more safely and with more accessible options. Thank you to the MTA for getting this list out and to the Legislature for its interest at the hearing yesterday.

“However, we have a number of questions:

- Which project comes from which capital program?
- What are the individual project costs, and what are start and completion dates?
- What is the cost of delay from not doing the work when the money was first identified?
- What is the cost of debarment and its effect on competition?

“Having the timeline and cost of delay is an important baseline benchmark as the MTA changes the way it does business: better, faster and cheaper. We look forward to more details and also the release of the individual projects and timelines from the FY2020-24 capital program, including the accessibility projects that just went out to bid with the deemed approval from the Capital Program Review Board. “