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[Comm. A. Sartor] Good morning. We apologize for the lateness of the start of the meeting. Mr. Plate, we'd expect you to really condense your presentation if you can, instead of being as verbose as you usually are. laughter] The first portion of today's meeting of the World Trade Center Redevelopment Subcommittee is being held in public session, after which the subcommittee will meet in executive session to discuss matters involving ongoing negotiations or reviews of contracts or proposals. In addition, the public portion of this meeting is being broadcast live on the Port Authority's website for those interested in reviewing today's proceedings via the internet. Mr. Plate, can you give us that World Trade Center construction update?

[S. Plate] Yes, Commissioner. Commissioners, I am very pleased to share with you a brief update on the significant progress made across the World Trade Center site. Just this past January workers erected steel at one World Trade Center to the 52nd floor. Today, with steel climbing to the 64th floor, over 773 feet above street level, one World Trade Center now surpasses the adjacent tower 7. Moving forward with construction over 1,200 workers are making the completion of one floor per week a reality. The sleek glass curtain wall, now at the 34th floor and climbing, is giving new definition to the New York City skyline. In fact, the top floors of one World Trade are now visible from even this building, Brooklyn and New Jersey. Work at the memorial continues to progress rapidly as well. We have captured 100% of the plaza for finish work. We've completed the core and shell of the West Vent Structure. We erected all of the Pavilion steel and tested the North Pool, nearly 10 months ahead of the milestone schedule outlined in the 2008 assessment. Today, over 140 trees, including the Survivor Tree, are bringing the Plaza to life. A testament to the rebirth and remembrance of this sacred ground. The glistening atrium glass on the Pavilion, which prominently captures the reflection of the surrounding skyscrapers and the 9/11 pools, is nearing completion and we have already begun insulation of the metal panels that will outline the remainder of the Pavilion. Room partitions and finished concrete floors are being placed as contractors are making great strides in fitting out the museum's interior spaces, located below grade. Since last summer, we had just begun erecting critical pieces of the steel at the hub to form the PATH Hall roof. Over 240 of the nearly 300 pieces have been installed, some weighing over 100 tons each. The flowing steel is forming the signature Calatrava arches that will shape the iconic roof structure above the station. Almost half of the massive East Box Girder steel has been erected, with welding ongoing. When completed, this 1,900 ton steel member will provide a critical support for the Transit Hall roof located over the PATH tracks. Most recently, DCM has erected 4 of the Vierendeel truss sections, the largest one weighing over 50 tons by itself, which will provide the 25 foot walkway around the eastern portion of the North Memorial Pool. In January, Tutor Perini was in the process of excavating the top-down construction under the #1 line subway. Today, all 3 levels have successfully been excavated with concrete slabs and walls placed on all levels. In addition, the first 7 sections of the invert slab were placed, which will permanently support the #1 subway line when the load is transferred later this year. At the VSC we took possession of the Deutsche Bank site on February 28th of this year. Yonkers Construction immediately mobilized in the eastern portion of the site, and is aggressively proceeding with construction including working on the site double shifts. Yonkers has completed 16 of the 18 footings to support the steel structure needed for 9/11/11 on the south portion. They've also completed almost half of the jet grout operations in the east and began sawing the required secant piles along Greenwich and

Washington streets. Fabrication of the structural steel is also well underway, with delivery to the sites starting in the 3rd quarter. Thank you commissioners. I look forward to updating you on this critical project in the future.

[Comm. A. Sartor] I just want to compliment staff for everything that's going on down there. You accomplishments have been incredible. Again, I want to encourage the board to go down and take a look at this. You go down there on a monthly basis and you just don't believe what they've accomplished in that one month. It's just incredible, so my compliments to the staff. Any questions from the Commissioners? Seeing none, I'll entertain a motion to close the meeting. Second? All done. This concludes the public portion of today's meeting. The Subcommittee will now adjourn to executive session to discuss matters involving ongoing negotiations or reviews of contract proposals.