

## The Bureau of Transportation Statistics Unveils Electronic Option for Reporting Confidential Close Call Incidents

The Confidential Close Call Reporting System (C<sup>3</sup>RS) is now accepting close call incident reports electronically through eSubmit, an online application developed by the Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS). eSubmit can be accessed at <a href="http://www.c3rs.bts.gov">http://www.c3rs.bts.gov</a>.

Employees at Union Pacific, Canadian Pacific, and New Jersey Transit can use eSubmit in place of mailing a close call incident report to BTS. An initial phone call to 1-888-LOV-C3RS (1-888-568-2377) is still required within 48 hours of the incident to receive a unique C<sup>3</sup>RS confirmation number that the employee can use to access eSubmit.

As with all steps of the C<sup>3</sup>RS process, eSubmit employs measures to ensure that employee information remains confidential. The application provides railroad employees with a convenient and secure electronic alternative to hand-writing and mailing close call incident reports. Users can also attach supporting documentation to accompany the report or download a copy of the written report for printing or archiving.

For more details about eSubmit, watch the video tutorial at <a href="http://www.c3rs.bts.gov">http://www.c3rs.bts.gov</a>.