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Steven Plate – a 30-year agency veteran who for the past decade has overseen the rebuilding of the World Trade Center site – has been promoted to a newly created position of Chief of Major Capital Projects, where he will oversee projects including the Port Authority Bus Terminal replacement, the PATH-to-Newark Liberty International Airport extension, the Bayonne Bridge “Raise the Roadway” navigational clearance project and the emerging Gateway Tunnel project on behalf of the agency.

In the new role, Mr. Plate will focus on ensuring on-time, on-budget project delivery, while working closely with various stakeholders for these challenging, complex transportation megaprojects, the agency announced. He will continue to oversee and be responsible for World Trade Center Construction as that effort continues to completion and report to the agency’s Executive Director.

“Steve epitomizes what it means to be a ‘master builder,’” said Port Authority Executive Director Pat Foye. “During his distinguished career, he has tackled two of the agency’s most challenging, high-profile construction projects – JFK AirTrain and the World Trade Center rebuilding – and through his perseverance and determination has gotten these projects to where they are today. As we return the Port Authority to its core mission of transportation, we are allocating our most valuable resource – our talented people – to those efforts.”

Mr. Plate, a resident of Glen Ridge, N.J., began his Port Authority career in 1985. Prior to his service at the World Trade Center site, he oversaw the management and delivery of the Port Authority’s \$2 billion JFK AirTrain system and delivered the megaproject on time and under budget.

Prior to today’s promotion, Mr. Plate was Deputy Chief of Capital Planning/Director of World Trade Center Construction, and has overseen the rebuilding efforts since 2006.

Patrick J. Foye
Executive Director