



**VIOLATION OF AMTRAK EMPLOYEE RAIL PASS
PROGRAM POLICY**

March 27, 2017

CASE OIG-I-2017-513

On January 23, 2017, an Amtrak ticket agent was arrested on state charges related to defrauding Amtrak of goods and services obtained through Amtrak's Employee Rail Pass Program. Our investigation found that the employee used her Amtrak Employee Rail Pass to reserve tickets in her dependents' names and supply them to individuals who were not eligible for travel benefits. We also found that the employee applied for rail pass benefits reserved for employees' spouses and children and claimed more than \$26,000 in travel benefits in the name of an individual she claimed to be her husband, although we found no evidence to substantiate this claim. On March 10, 2017, the employee was found to have violated company policy and was terminated. Further criminal proceedings are pending.